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Family Winter-Outage Checklist

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FAMILY & SCHOOL PLAN

- ☐ Write down family numbers and an out-of-area contact.
- ☐ Choose a nearby meeting place and a backup location.
- ☐ Check the school closure alerts and reunification procedure.
- ☐ Confirm authorized pickup adults; share the plan with them.
- ☐ Give children an age-appropriate paper emergency contact card.

HOME & COMMUNICATIONS

- ☐ Print key contacts, medication needs, and the household plan.
- ☐ Test flashlights; check spare batteries and charge power banks.
- ☐ Check a battery-powered radio and write down local stations.
- ☐ Check drinking water, ready-to-eat food, and a manual can opener.
- ☐ Gather warm layers, blankets, and essential medications.
- ☐ Test smoke and carbon-monoxide alarms.

WINTER VEHICLE CHECK

- ☐ Pack blankets, warm clothes, flashlight, snacks, and water.
- ☐ Check scraper, jumper cables, tires, and winter travel supplies.
- ☐ Review the route and road conditions before leaving.

PRACTICE & CHECK IN

- ☐ Walk through the plan together with phones put away.
- ☐ Choose a neighbor or relative to check on during an outage.

Meeting place: _____

Out-of-area contact: _____