

Reunification

When an emergency occurs, communication is most important. Your household and others you help or rely on for assistance should work together. Create networks of neighbors, relatives, friends and co-workers who will assist each other in an emergency. People in the network can assist each other with communication, care of children, pets, or specific needs.

- ❑ Plan locations where your family will meet, both within and outside of your immediate neighborhood.
 - Practice getting there
- ❑ Call or email the out-of-state contact in your family communication plan. Tell them where you are going.
 - Pick the same person for each family member to call or email. It might be easier to reach someone who's out of town.
- ❑ Text is best. Limit phone usage to free up phone lines for emergency workers.
- ❑ Secure your home by closing and locking doors and windows.
- ❑ Leave a note telling others when you left and where you are going.
- ❑ Wear sturdy shoes and clothing that provides some protection such as long pants, long-sleeved shirts, and a cap.
- ❑ Check with neighbors who may need a ride.