

## **EVACUATION**

In some emergencies, you may be told to evacuate your home or neighborhood. Officials will tell you when to evacuate and what routes are open. If you are being told to evacuate, look for information about available shelters through your local emergency management agency.

If you have time, close windows, lock doors, and unplug appliances. Authorities will tell you if you need to turn off your utilities (water, gas, electricity). It is important to have a plan for your pet in the case of an evacuation.

During an emergency, stay tuned to your local radio station or listen to emergency personnel for instructions about which route to follow. Take your emergency kit with you.

### **Evacuation by Walking**

In many circumstances, walking is an effective means of evacuating a neighborhood. Wear comfortable shoes and clothing, and don't forget to take your emergency kit with you.

### **Evacuation by Car or Other Vehicle**

Be calm and orderly. Obey all speed limits, signs, signals and other laws.

### **On the Bus or Train**

If there is an emergency while you are on the public transportation, wait for the bus or train to stop. Wait for instructions.

Do not exit until told to do so.

The safest place is usually inside the bus or train.

Use the box with the emergency door release handle located to the left of the center doors of the car. Pull the handle down, slide the left-center door to the left, and exit the train.

On the bus, windows and ceiling hatches serve as emergency exits. Use the red levers on either side of a window to release it.