

Winter Weather Week November 12-18, 2017

This winter the IMPD Homeland Security Bureau's Emergency Management Agency is encouraging our fellow Hoosiers to begin preparing now for what could be a very cold and wet winter. To stay safe this season, you and your family should be ready for the unavoidable, but certainly manageable, hazards that winter brings to the Hoosier state by putting together an emergency preparedness kit. Include these simple-yet-vital items in your kit to ensure you're prepared for whatever Old Man Winter throws our way this year.

Winter Preparedness Kits 101:

For Your Home:

- ✓ Flashlights and extra batteries
- ✓ Battery-powered radio
- ✓ First aid kit
- ✓ 7-day supply of medications
- ✓ Multi-purpose tool
- ✓ Personal hygiene items
- ✓ Copies of personal documents
- ✓ Cell phone and charger
- ✓ Family emergency contact information
- ✓ Extra cash
- ✓ Emergency blanket
- ✓ Baby and pet supplies
- ✓ Food and water for 3 days (1 gallon of water per person per day)

For Your Car:

- ✓ Blankets or a sleeping bag
- ✓ Flashlights and extra batteries
- ✓ Jumper cables
- ✓ Emergency flares
- ✓ Extra clothing (boots, hats, mittens)
- ✓ Steel shovel and a rope
- ✓ Water and high-energy foods
- ✓ Thermos
- ✓ First aid kit and medications
- ✓ Sand for tire traction
- ✓ Cell phone and car charger
- ✓ Ice Scraper and snow brush
- ✓ Tire repair kit and pump
- ✓ Candle, matches, heat sticks/packs, lighters, hand –warmers, etc.

Make building an emergency kit a family activity! Add one essential item to your kit every day of the month to make sure your family finishes 2017 safely and starts off 2018 as prepared as possible.