

# HOME MAINTENANCE CHECKLIST TO PREPARE FOR SPRING WEATHER

## OUTSIDE YOUR HOME

- Repair missing roof shingles or areas with deterioration
- Clean gutters to help avoid overflow into exterior siding
- Point downspouts away from home's foundation to help prevent pooling water
- Tie down objects that can catch flight from high winds
- Add sandbags and flood barriers outside entry points before a storm to help prevent flooding

## INSIDE YOUR HOME

- Inspect attic and basement to address signs of moisture, mold, and poor ventilation
- Address sump pump issues to help prevent basement flooding
- Update door and window seals to help prevent water penetration
- Consider installing storm shutters or doors to reinforce against high winds
- Regularly clean, declutter and clear entryways to prevent debris buildup

## EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS

- Update emergency kit, emergency plan, and review them with your household
- Test smoke and carbon monoxide detectors and fire extinguishers to help prepare for fires caused by power surges or storms
- Store important physical documents in waterproof and easily accessible containers
- Review home insurance coverage and riders that can increase storm coverage