



# GET YOUR HOME READY FOR

# Fall

- Walk around your property checking for anything that needs repair before inclement weather arrives.
- Inspect your roof and schedule repairs if needed.
- Clean your gutters and downspouts throughout the fall and winter.
- Schedule a service and cleaning of your chimney.
- Disconnect garden hoses and drain water still in faucets.
- Stow your mower and other gardening equipment, drain fuel and clean your yard tools to prevent rust.
- Check your trees for any weak areas that could cause damage during a fall or winter storm.
- Rake or move leaves before winter comes to ensure a healthy lawn when spring arrives.
- Check crawlspace for flooding after the first big rain fall.
- Check and turn on crawl space heater if you have any.
- Make sure attic and crawlspaces have adequate insulation.
- Clean out the bathroom fan/filter.
- Inspect your furnace or heat pump to ensure that it can achieve maximum efficiency or schedule a service appointment. Be sure to install a new filter to start the indoor heating season.
- Repair any window cracks or holes in weather stripping or caulking.
- Continually check your air vents (and dryer vents) to make sure they are not blocked.
- Test all smoke and carbon monoxide detectors, replace batteries if necessary.
- Make a fire escape plan for your house, take time with your family to review.
- Make sure you have working flashlights that can easily be located in the house.
- Stock up on supplies for the fall and winter, including snow shovels, ice melt products, ice scrapers and seasoned firewood.

