

## Checklist: What You Need to Take When You Leave

- Driver's license/photo ID
- Children's birth certificates
- Social Security cards
- Health insurance/life insurance papers
- Welfare ID and benefit (EBT) cards
- Credit cards
- Bank books/checkbooks
- Mortgage payment book
- Lease, rental agreement, or house deed
- Passport
- Work permits/VISA/Green Card and Immigration paperwork
- Jewelry
- Photos and other items of sentimental value
- School records
- Your birth certificate
- Immunization records
- Medications for you and your children
- Other medical records for you and your kids
- Car registration/insurance
- Keys: car, house, office
- Divorce papers
- Child custody papers
- Children's favorite toys or blankets (if packing ahead, pack a toy they will recognize but not miss)
- Address book
- Photo of the abuser
- Baby items (diapers, formula, medication)
- Eyeglasses
- Non-perishable snacks for the children (juice, crackers)

\*Keep many of these items in a specific place so you can get to them on short notice.

\*\*Pack a suitcase with some of these items, including important paperwork, and store it with a friend or neighbor in the event that you have to leave home immediately.