



# What You Need When You Leave Checklist

## WHAT TO TAKE

### Identification

- Driver's license
- Birth certificates
- Social Security cards
- Welfare identification

### Financial

- Money
- Credit cards
- Bank books
- Checkbook

### Legal Papers

- Relief from abuse order
- Divorce papers
- Lease, house deed
- Car registration and insurance
- Medical records
- Passport
- Work permis/green card/VISA

### Other items

- Keys to the house and car
- Medications
- Children's toys/blankets

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## STEPS TO SAFETY

**Step 1: Safety during a violent incident. I can use the following strategies:**

**A.** If decide to leave, I will

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**B.** Keep money, identification, keys in a safe place to leave quickly.

**C.** I can tell a trusted person about the violence, keep a bag packed at their place, and have them report anything suspicious.

**D.** Teach children how to use a phone to contact the police or fire department.

**E.** If I have to leave home, I will go to

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If I cannot go there, my backup will be to go to

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**F.** If you are unable to get when an incident is about to occur, move to a room that is lowest risk (**avoid** bathroom, garage, kitchen, any rooms with only one way out or have items that can be used as weapons.

**Step 2: Safety when preparing to leave. Having a plan can increase your safety.**

**A.** I will open a checking or savings account to increase my independence.

**B.** I can call Circle's hotline number (877 543-9498) and/or seek shelter.

**C.** Buy a phone card.

**D.** Other things I can do

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