**Winter at Home.**

**BEING PREPARED TO WEATHER THE COLD SEASON**

**What Can I Do?**

**Insulate**
- Install weather stripping, insulation, and storm windows. Insulate water lines that run along exterior walls.

**Carbon Monoxide**
- Install a CO detector to alert you of the presence of the deadly, odorless, colorless gas. Check batteries regularly.

**Heating**
- Have your heating system serviced professionally to make sure that it is clean, working properly and ventilated to the outside.

**Roof**
- Clean out gutters and repair roof leaks.

**Shoveling**
- Work slowly. Wear appropriate outdoor clothing.

**Chimney**
- Inspect and clean fireplaces and chimneys.

**Smoke**
- Keep grills, camp stoves, and generators out of the house, basement and garage. Locate generators at least 20 feet from the house. Install a smoke detector. Test batteries monthly.

**Outdoors**
- Wear appropriate outdoor clothing: layers of light, warm clothing; mittens; hats; scarves; and waterproof boots.
- Sprinkle cat litter or sand on icy patches.
- Be aware of the wind chill factor.
- Work slowly when doing outside chores.
- Take a buddy and an emergency kit when you are participating in outdoor recreation.

**Emergency Kit**
- Carry a cell phone.
- Keep an up-to-date emergency kit, including:
  - Battery-operated devices, such as a flashlight, a radio, and lamps; extra batteries;
  - first-aid kit and extra medicine; baby items.

**Source**
- Have a safe alternate heating source and alternate fuels available.

**No Heat.**
- Immediately report lack of heat or hot water by calling 311.