## **Build a Home Emergency Kit**

Xcel Energy recommends assembling an easily accessible kit that you can rely on in the event of a power outage. When assembling an emergency supply kit, remember the "Six Ps":

- People and pets. Pack supplies for yourself and your pets, including nonperishable foods, a gallon of water per person, per day, a change of clothing and hygiene sanitation supplies for a minimum of three days.
- Papers, phone numbers and important documents. Prepare a folder with your critical documents, including social security cards, passports, birth certificates and deeds, among others. If possible, keep these items in a waterproof/fireproof container that can easily be taken with you.
- Prescriptions, vitamins, eyeglasses and medical devices. Include enough supply to meet your family's needs for at three days. Keep a first aid kit of sufficient size for your family, as well.
- Pictures and memorabilia. Set aside items that would be irreplaceable if lost in a severe weather event.
- Personal computers, phones, hard drives and chargers. Pack these items as they may be expensive to replace and may contain data that is irreplaceable if lost.
- Plastic (bank cards) and cash. Have both on hand you don't know if vendors will be able to accept cards or debit cards if a storm affects infrastructure.