# ROAD TRIP

# **BEFORE YOU LEAVE**

- Turn the thermostat and water heater down
- Ensure all doors and windows are locked
- Make sure a neighbor/friend/family knows where you will be and have contact details and a spare key
- Plan your trip rest areas, distance between gas stations, fun sights to stop at along the way
- Put a vacation hold on your mail
- Unplug anything you won't be using
- Notify your bank / credit cards that you will be out of town so that suspicious chargers from where you will be won't be flagged.

#### CAR CARE

- Proof of Insurance
- Check tires (including spare)
- o Windshield wiper fluid
- Check coolant and oil levels
- Check for detours along your route
- Make sure your roadside assistance is up-to-date
- Supplies: flashlight, jumper cables, jack
- Spare key
- o GPS / Maps

# FOR THE KIDS

- o Entertainment
- $\circ \quad \text{Travel games} \quad$
- o Quiet toys
- o Comfort toy
- Pillow and blanket for napping
- o Activity and coloring books

### **TECH STUFF**

- Electronics cell phone, iPad, Kindle, laptop
- Chargers for electronics
- o Re-chargeable back-up batteries
- o Headphones
- Playlists
- Ensure apps are all up-to-date

### ROAD TRIP ESSENTIALS

- o First aid kit
- $\circ$  Snacks
- $\circ \quad \text{Water bottles} \\$
- o Trash bags
- Wipes / paper towels
- o Coins for toll roads
- o Camera
- o Sunscreen
- Printed copies of confirmations hotels, tickets etc.
- Small sewing kit with safety pins, thread, needle, scissors
- o Motion sickness remedies