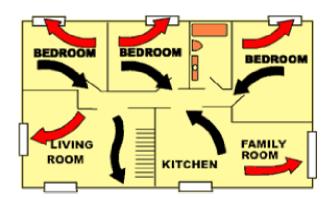






## BE PREPARED

Fire departments routinely perform what we call "pre-incident" surveys or as they were formerly called, "preplans" to make our operations more efficient when dealing with commercial and industrial facilities. These surveys are kept in one or more department vehicles and are pulled up if there is a fire at the facility. You, as a home or business owner, can prepare your own pre-incident survey and develop an appropriate action plan for yourself and other occupants. Your action plan should be presented to all members of your household or business and should include information pertaining to primary and secondary escape routes, a designated meeting place for accountability and a communications plan; someone will need to make the call for help. Once your plan has be developed and discussed, drills should be held periodically for practice. If any problems are noticed or reported, further discussion and procedures should be initiated.



Have at least 2 ways in and out of every room if possible!