

## The ABC's of Homeowners Insurance

### Homeowners Insurance

When you are shopping for homeowners insurance it is important that you understand what types of coverage you need and what damage your policy will cover. There are four main types of homeowners insurance coverage.

#### Types of homeowners insurance coverage:

- Property Coverage
  - This coverage will cover damage to the contents of your home.
- Additional Living Expense (ALE)
  - This coverage will cover expenses incurred if your home is not habitable such as temporary relocation expenses, food, and storage)
- Personal Liability
  - This coverage will cover costs associated with a claim from bodily injury or property damage.
- Medical Payments
  - This coverage will pay medical payments for guests or invitees accidentally injured at your home.

Insurance coverage protects your home and family against any number perils or dangers. The chart below summarizes which policies cover each peril.

Perils/Dangers Covered	HO-2 Broad Form	HO-3 Special Form	HO-8 Modified Coverage
Fire or lightning	X	X	X
Windstorm or hail	X	X	X
Explosion	X	X	X
Riot or civil unrest	X	X	X
Aircraft	X	X	X
Vehicles	X	X	X
Smoke	X	X	X
Vandalism	X	X	X
Theft	X	X	X
Falling objects	X	X	
Weight of ice, snow, or sleet	X	X	
Accidental discharge or overflow of water or steam	X	X	
Sudden or accidental tearing apart, cracking, burning, or bulging	X	X	
Freezing	X	X	
Sudden or accidental damage from artificially generated electrical current	X	X	
Volcanic eruption	X	X	
Open peril on building		X	
Sinkhole		X	X

This flyer was made possible with a grant from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.

