## Spring Home Safety Checklist

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- □ Check cleaning supplies. Look for leaking containers and dispose of what is no longer used or needed at a hazardous waste distribution centre.
- □ Install smoke and carbon monoxide alarms. Replace batteries and test.
- □ Visually inspect electrical cords and outlets. Replace cords if worn or damaged. Contact a licensed electrical contractor to check loose-fitting outlets.
- □ Maintain air conditioner. Make an appointment with a qualified technician to perform safe and proper maintenance work for your specific unit.
- Clean eaves troughs thoroughly. Use a sturdy and reliable ladder and rubber gloves.
- □ **Clean and check BBQ.** Clean burner ports and tubes and test for hose leaks with a 50/50 water/soap solution.
- □ Store fuel and other combustibles outside. Keep them in a well-ventilated shed or detached garage and away from direct sunlight and other heat sources.
- Check recreational equipment. Make sure all playground equipment, bikes, skateboards, etc. are in safe working condition for family use.
- Call before you dig. Before starting a garden or outdoor home renovation, contact your local utility to quickly and easily get your underground utility lines marked to avoid pipeline damage.

