



Location, location, location! First up: finding and gathering your vital documents. After you've made photocopies and stashed them in your binder, list where in your home (or elsewhere!) you're storing the originals.

	What	Where
IDENTIFICATION	Birth certificates/adoption records for all household members	
	Marriage license	
	Divorce decrees	
	Child custody papers	
	Citizenship papers	
	Driver's licenses	
	Social Security cards	
	Passports	
	Military records	
	Fingerprint records	
	Death certificates for any immediate family members	
FINANCIAL & LEGAL	Property records: deeds, leases, titles	
	Automobile records: leases and titles, VINs, registrations	
	Insurance records: automobile, homeowners or renters, flood, liability, personal property, umbrella	





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FINANCIAL & LEGAL	Previous year's federal and state tax returns	
	Wills	
	Estate planning documents	
	Household inventory and appraisals	
MEDICAL	Health insurance cards and policies	
	Medical history	
	Medication & prescription lists, including dosage & pharmacy	
	Dental records	
	Disabilities documentation	
	Disability insurance policies	
	Living wills, medical power of attorney	
PET OWNERS	Veterinary records	
	Vaccination history	
	ID chip numbers	
OTHER	Contents of wallet	
	Family historical information	

