## LIFESTYLE PATTERNS THAT PUSH CALORIES UP

## **Sedentary Days**

- More screen time and automated chores mean less natural movement.
- Fewer daily steps lower total energy burned.



## **Less Sleep**

- Short nights disrupt appetite hormones.
- Hunger and cravings rise, especially for high-calorie foods.



## **Stress & Cortisol**

- Chronic stress boosts appetite and encourages fat storage around the abdomen.
- Emotional eating often follows.

