BUILDING TOGETHER



Building Community Preparedness and Resilience Skills



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WHY IS IT IMPROTANT FOR THE COMMUNITY TO BE INVOLVED IN PREPAREDNESS?

WHEN DISASTER STRIKES

 Do you have an understanding of what you need to protect yourselves and your love ones?

• Effective planning for disasters for everyone in your local community must include people of all ages and those with various access and functional needs.

WHEN DISASTER STRIKES

It is unrealistic to expect governments including local, State and Federal to do everything.

Governments cannot meet the spectrum of needs without help from all community members.

COMMUNITY PREPAREDNESS IS THE KEY PRIORITY

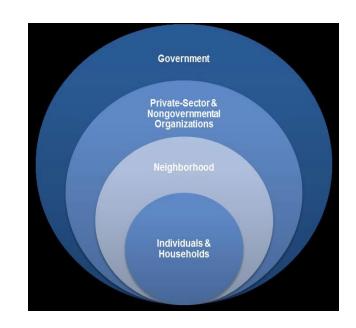
Effective community preparedness occurs at all levels including:

Government

Public and Private Sectors

Neighborhoods

Individuals and Households



HOW TO PREPARE FOR AND SURVIVE EARTHQUAKES

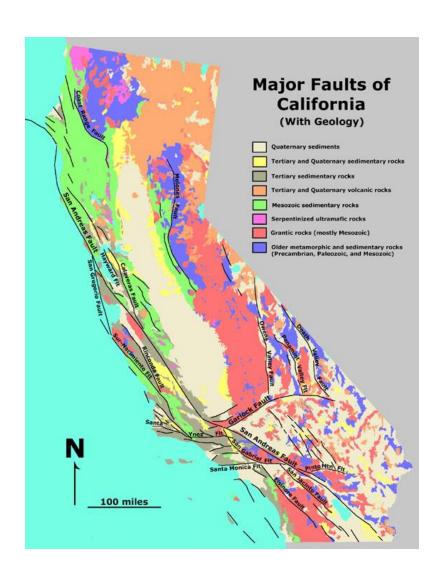
- Earthquakes are a matter of when, not if
- The U.S. Geological Survey states 143 million Americans live in areas where damaging earthquakes can occur.



EARTHQUAKE HAZARDS

- Maacama Fault in the Ukiah area
- The Maacama fault is located in the Coast Ranges of northwestern California. It has been interpreted as a rightstepping northern extension of the Rogers Creek fault and is one of three major fault zones that comprise the San Andreas fault system in northern California. The fault has a northern and southern section, with a total length of just under 100 miles. The Maacama Fault runs just east of Ukiah and through Willits.
- Produced earthquakes larger than a magnitude 4.0

EARTHQUAKE





EARTHQUAKE SURVIVAL

- Be able to survive in your home for two weeks. No grid, no outside help.
- Be able to evacuate your home in a moment's notice.
- Be able to get home, or get to safety, if disaster strikes when you're away from home.

PREPARE YOUR HOME

- Reduce dangerous things that will fall during an earthquake-secure it to a wall
- Take annual videos of your possessions
- Earthquake insurance-California is the only state that mandates insurance companies to offer earthquake coverage.

RETROFIT YOUR HOME TO SURVIVE THE EARTHQUAKE

The most common retrofits for making homes earthquakeready are:

- Bolting the house to its foundation
- Reinforcing (bracing) cripple walls with plywood
- Bracing the hot water tank with metal strapping
- Bracing your chimney
- Installing auto-shutoff valves on the gas meter

STORING YOUR SUPPLIES

Earthquakes cause shaking and falling

 Put your supplies in the safest, lowest place possible that is easily accessible.

 Store supplies on the floor of your garage underneath a sturdy and secured workbench.

- INDOORS
- Drop down to the ground on your hands and knees. A strong enough quake will knock you over anyway.
- Cover your head. Crawl underneath a sturdy desk or table for shelter. If no shelter is nearby, crawl next to an interior wall. Avoid windows.
- Hold on
- until the
- quake calms.







- Avoid elevators and windows if you're in a high-rise.
- Avoid doorways. They don't protect you from falling or flying objects. Modern doorways aren't any more robust than the rest of a house.



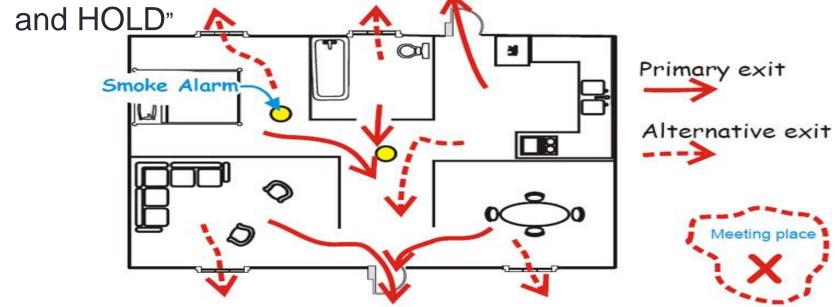
- Outdoors:
- Get away from buildings, power lines, signs, traffic lights, and sinkholes.
- Once in an open area, get your body down low (to keep from being knocked down by strong shaking) and stay there until the shaking stops.

- Driving:
- Pull over and stop. Don't park under trees, overpasses, or bridges if possible.
- Pull your parking brake, and wait for the shaking to stop.
- Proceed carefully, avoiding cracked pavement and debris.
- Stay inside if a power line falls on your car, and wait until utility or rescue personnel remove it. Don't drive over downed power lines.

- If you're in bed:
- Don't get up.
- Lie face down.
- Cover your head and neck with a pillow.
- Hold on to your head and neck with both hands until shaking stops.

- Discuss all possible exit routes from each room, building and neighborhood
- Decide where you will reunite after a disaster.

Conduct emergency drills and practice "DROP, COVER



Meeting Places

- Alternate Meeting Locations-Three Places
- Discuss When You Would Go There
- What To Do If You Can't Get There



- As soon as the shaking has stopped:
- Always take care of yourself first, then your family, then others. Don't create another hurt body that someone else needs to take care of.
- Grab your Bug Out Bag or Get Home Bag. This is your survival insurance policy. If it's on your back, then no matter what happens next, you'll have what you need to survive.

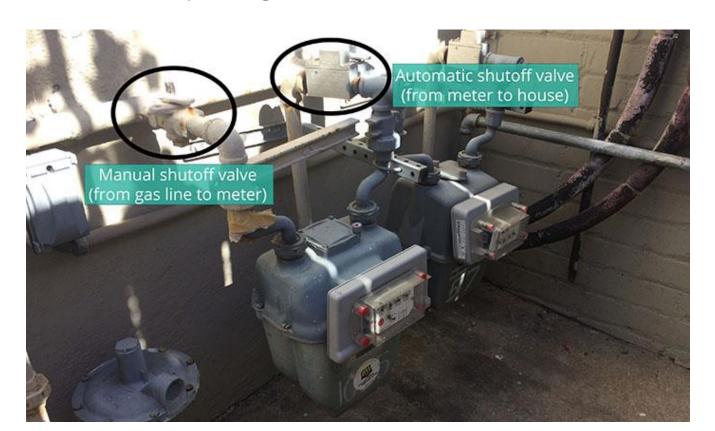
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 Get outside, away from things that can fall on you in an aftershock. Don't use elevators. If you're driving, park your car in a safe place.

- Then:
- If there are *small* fires, grab your fire extinguisher (you have a current one, right?) and earn those Prepper Points.
- If it's safe to do so, turn off your gas and electrical breakers.

BE READY TO SHUT OFF YOUR GAS OR INSTALL AN AUTO-SHUTOFF VALVE

 Fires are one of the biggest risks after a quake-be sure you know where your gas valve is and how to turn it off



WATER

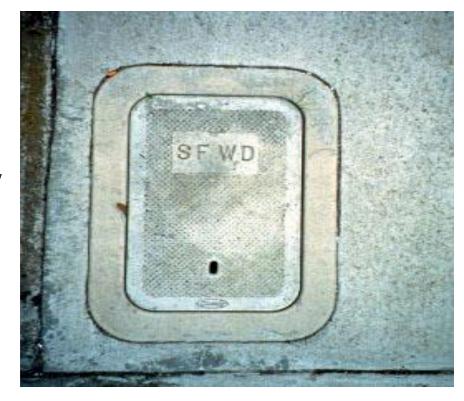
Turn off water if house is flooding or if water is contaminated

Shut Off Water, If Necessary

Locate water shutoff

Insert tool in hole & remove cover

Turn water OFF



MAP YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD

- Create a Neighborhood Map showing the locations of:
 - Each natural gas meter and propane tank.
 - About 67% of house fires following disasters are caused by leaking gas. Knowing where these meters are and shutting them off helps prevent fires.
 - Each neighbor who is elderly, those with a disability, or homes where children may be unattended during certain hours of the day.
 - Checking on neighbors prone to injury helps protect them.

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- Use your car radio or emergency radio to get informed.
 For example, if you need to leave your home, radio can point you to the nearest shelter.
- Let others know you're OK. Update your Facebook status or their Safety Check feature.
- Send a text message SMS is the most likely way to squeak through a clogged network.

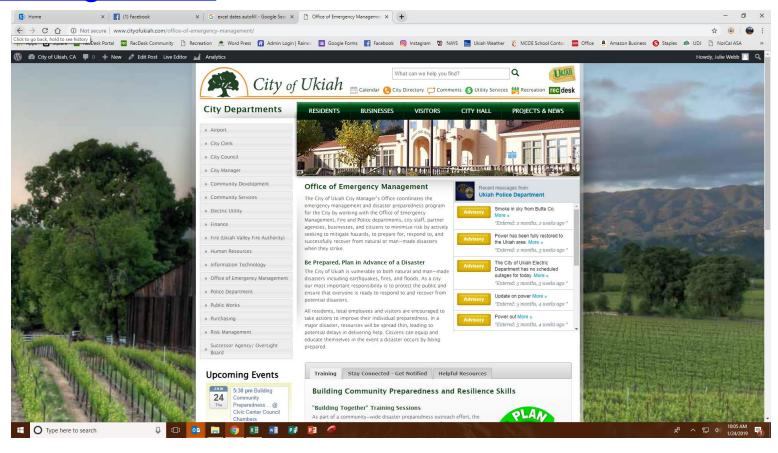
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- Update your outgoing voicemail intro with a message that you're OK and what you're planning to do.
- Use your head. Don't try and hang up the wall-mounted TV that just shook loose, start a BBQ, or practice your unicycle knife juggling.

AFTERSHOCKS

- Aftershocks differ from earthquakes only in that we expect them to happen.
- They can happen for weeks, months or years after an earthquake.
- Aftershocks are common immediately after the mainshock and decay in time.

EMERGENCY COMMUNICATION

 http://www.cityofukiah.com/office-of-emergencymanagement/



WHAT'S NEXT



INFORMATION

- CERT Classes
- Volunteer Organizations Active During Disasters
- Red Cross

WWW.ready.gov

INFORMATION

- Center for Disease Control and Prevention
- http://www2.humboldt.edu/shakyground/
- County of Mendocino Office of Emergency Services
- Mendocino County Fire Safe Council
- Mendocino County's Community Alert System
- Ready.gov
- Red Cross Preparedness
- FEMA Sample Emergency Kit List

Thank you for watching

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