



# The Great Utah ShakeOut

Statewide Earthquake Drill

## Neighborhood Groups Get Ready to ShakeOut!

Register today at [ShakeOut.org/utah](http://ShakeOut.org/utah)

At 10:15 a.m. on April 17, 2012, hundreds of thousands of Utahns will “Drop, Cover, and Hold On” in The Great Utah ShakeOut, our largest earthquake drill ever! All neighborhood groups are encouraged to participate in the drill (or plan a more extensive exercise).

Major earthquakes may happen anywhere you work, live, or travel in Utah. The ShakeOut is our chance to practice how to protect ourselves, and for everyone to become prepared. The goal is to prevent a major earthquake from becoming a catastrophe for you, your family, and your community.



Why is a “Drop, Cover, and Hold On” drill important? As with anything, to act quickly you must practice often. You may only have seconds to protect yourself in an

earthquake before strong shaking knocks you down, or something falls on you.

Millions of people across the country have participated in ShakeOut drills since 2008. Utahns will join the activity in 2012 as part of a statewide earthquake response exercise.

**Everyone can participate!** Individuals, families, businesses, schools, colleges, government agencies and organizations are all invited to register.

### HOW TO PARTICIPATE

Here are simple things neighborhood groups can do to participate in the ShakeOut. More instructions and resources can be found at [www.ShakeOut.org/utah/neighborhoods](http://www.ShakeOut.org/utah/neighborhoods).

#### Plan Your Drill:

- Register at [www.ShakeOut.org/utah/register](http://www.ShakeOut.org/utah/register) to be counted in the ShakeOut Drill, get email updates, and more.
- Download a Drill Broadcast recording from [www.ShakeOut.org/drill/broadcast](http://www.ShakeOut.org/drill/broadcast).
- Have a neighborhood “Drop, Cover, and Hold On” drill at 10:15 a.m. on April 17. You may also want to exercise other aspects of your emergency plan.
- Discuss what you learned and make improvements.

#### Get Prepared for Earthquakes:

- Help neighbors identify items in their homes that might fall during earthquakes and secure them. they are accessible and functional.
- Create a neighborhood disaster plan.
- Organize or refresh your emergency supply kits.
- Hold a Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) training in your neighborhood.
- Other actions are at [bereadyutah.gov](http://bereadyutah.gov).

#### Share the ShakeOut:

- Encourage everyone in your neighborhood to register.
- Have a neighborhood party to discuss preparedness, and register for the ShakeOut.
- Encourage local businesses and other organizations to participate and distribute ShakeOut information.
- Share your experience at [www.shakeout.org/utah/share](http://www.shakeout.org/utah/share).



### As a registered ShakeOut participant you will:

- Learn what you can do to get prepared
- Be counted in our largest earthquake drill ever!
- Receive ShakeOut news and other earthquake information
- Set an example that motivates others to participate

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