

EMERGENCY PLANNING

Hubbard & Earthquakes...

ARE YOU READY?

*Earthquakes can strike suddenly, violently, and without warning. . .
so always be ready to*

DROP, COVER & HANG ON!

Earthquake hazard zones are based on the combined effects of ground shaking amplification, liquefaction, and earthquake induced landsliding. The majority of Hubbard is zoned as low to intermediate hazard, however areas close to and around Mill Creek are zoned intermediate to high hazard.

IF YOU ARE INSIDE WHEN AN EARTHQUAKE STRIKES:

- ⇒ Take cover under a sturdy desk, table or bench against an inside wall and hold on. If there isn't a table or desk near you, cover your face and head with your arms and crouch in an inside corner of the building;
- ⇒ Stay away from glass, windows, outside doors and walls and anything which could fall, such as lighting fixtures or furniture;
- ⇒ Use a doorway for shelter **only** if it is in close proximity to you and if you know it is a strongly supported, load-bearing doorway; and
- ⇒ Stay inside until the shaking stops and it is safe to go outside!

Most injuries during an earthquake occur when people are hit by falling objects when entering or exiting from buildings.

- ⇒ Expect aftershocks. Each time you feel one, DROP, COVER & HANG ON!

IF YOU ARE OUTSIDE WHEN AN EARTHQUAKE STRIKES:

- ⇒ Stay there!!!
- ⇒ Move away from buildings, streetlights and utility wires.

IF YOU ARE IN A MOVING VEHICLE WHEN AN EARTHQUAKE STRIKES:

- ⇒ Stop as quickly as safety permits and stay inside the vehicle. Avoid stopping near or under buildings, trees, overpasses or utility wires; and
- ⇒ Proceed cautiously once the earthquake has stopped, watching for road & bridge damage.

IF YOU ARE TRAPPED UNDER DEBRIS:

- ⇒ Do not light a match;
- ⇒ Do not move about or kick up dust;
- ⇒ Cover your mouth with a handkerchief or clothing; and
- ⇒ Tap on a pipe or walls so rescuers can locate you. Use a whistle if one is available. Shout only as a last resort — shouting can cause you to inhale dangerous amounts of dust.

BEFORE AN EARTHQUAKE STRIKES:

- ⇒ Bolt down & secure to the wall studs your water heater, refrigerator, etc.
- ⇒ Place large or heavy objects on lower shelves. Fasten shelves, mirrors & large picture frames to the walls. Brace high & top-heavy objects.
- ⇒ Anchor overhead lighting fixtures;
- ⇒ Locate & know how to turn off Natural Gas (***GAS SHOULD ONLY BE TURNED BACK ON BY A PROFESSIONAL***); and
- ⇒ Make a plan; assemble an emergency kit; & maintain your plan & emergency kit.

LOOK FOR YOUR 2010 DRINKING WATER QUALITY REPORT

which is included with this newsletter! Once again we are happy to report that the City has had no violations in 2010!

SAVE THE DATE!! THE 2ND ANNUAL EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS AND SAFETY FAIR IS SCHEDULED FOR **SATURDAY, AUGUST 6, 2011!** Look for additional information in the coming months!!

CLEAN WATER IS EVERYBODY'S BUSINESS!

As stormwater flows over driveways, lawns and sidewalks, it picks up debris, chemicals, dirt and other pollutants. Stormwater can flow into a storm sewer system or directly to a lake, stream, river, wetland or coastal waters. Anything that enters a storm sewer system is discharged untreated into the waterbodies we use for swimming, fishing and providing drinking water. Polluted runoff is the nation's greatest threat to clean water. By practicing healthy household habits, homeowners can keep common pollutants like pesticides, pet waste, grass clippings, and automotive fluids off the ground and out of stormwater.

- √ Use fertilizers sparingly and sweep up driveways, sidewalks and gutters;
- √ Never dump anything down storm drains or in streams;
- √ Vegetate bare spots in your yard;
- √ Compost your yard waste;
- √ Use the least toxic pesticides, follow labels, and learn how to prevent pest problems;
- √ Direct downspouts away from paved surfaces; consider a rain garden to capture runoff;
- √ Take your car to a car wash or wash your car on a lawn or other unpaved surface to minimize the amount of dirty, soapy water flowing into the storm drain and eventually into our local waterbodies;
- √ Check your car for leaks and recycle your motor oil; and
- √ Pick up after your pet.

Knowledge and preparation are your best defense and are your responsibility! For more information on EMERGENCY PLANNING, call 503.982.9429, or visit our website at www.cityofhubbard.org.



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Thank you ~ Hubbard Public Works