

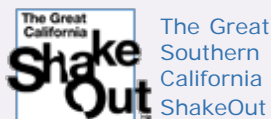


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Secure Your Stuff

Earthquake safety is more than minimizing damage to buildings. To "[secure your space](#)," reduce the risk of injury and damage by securing the contents of your home and workplace. In the Northridge earthquake, 55% were injured due to unsecured building contents such as toppling bookcases and billions of dollars were lost.

You should secure anything: 1) heavy enough to hurt you if it falls on you, or; 2) fragile or expensive enough to be a significant loss (financially or emotionally) if it's damaged.

START NOW taking simple actions to protect you and your family. Move heavy objects to lower shelves then look for other items that may be hazardous in an earthquake. See links below for more details.

Need help with larger projects? Consult our guide on "[How to Hire Someone to Help](#)".

How to secure your:

- [Water Heater](#)
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 - Masonry Partitions
 - Modular Partitions

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- Lab Equipment

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