# COMMITTEE BETTER TOGETHER

PRESENTED AT THE DECEMBER 20<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL HOME OWNERS ASSOCIATION MEETING

## Trouble is Going to Happen

- ▶ Portland is more than 75 years past due for a 8.0 quake. Our last major quake was in 1700, but they average every 240 years.
- The Portland Monthly has the facts and a vivid description of what a quake here will look like. You can read it at:
  - https://www.pdxmonthly.com/home-and-real-estate/2018/02/the-big-one-is-coming-what-will-happen-to-portland

#### It's Never Too Late To Get Started

- Make a Plan.
- If you are separated, how and where will you meet up?
- ▶ Put essential personal (ID, medical & insurance) and contact information on paper.
- Out of state emergency contacts to let them know you are safe.
- For even more info, see our 2<sup>nd</sup> tip on our website at: <a href="https://www.elizabethlofts.org/information/earthquake-study/">https://www.elizabethlofts.org/information/earthquake-study/</a>
- ▶ Don't forget about your pets. See our 7<sup>th</sup> tip.
- Make a Building Buddy. They can look after your pets or loved ones until you can get home. It doesn't have to be an emergency to trade favors.

A good plan is like a road map: it shows the final destination and usually the best way to get there.

### Preparation is the next step

- In your unit, store water, ready to eat food, radio, flashlight, 2 buckets for pee and poop, first aid kit, pet food and lots more.
- If you evacuate, you need a go bag with a slimmed down list plus camping gear.
- Slow and steady wins the race. Our 11<sup>th</sup> tip has a 12 month calendar to build your supplies.
- Our website has lots of tips and info on how to prepare.
  <a href="https://www.elizabethlofts.org/information/earthquake-study">https://www.elizabethlofts.org/information/earthquake-study</a>
- Don't forget other sites like ready.gov, publicalerts.org or the very good Canadian site:
  - https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/safety/emergencymanagement/preparedbc/build-an-emergency-kit-and-grab-and-gobag



#### Know what to do during a quake

- Drop, get covered by something sturdy and hold on.
- Be patient. Give some time for aftershocks to pass.
- Begin to execute your plan.
- Remove any falling hazards by placing them on the floor.
- We got this covered too with tips about what to do if you are home, in your car or even camping

# Once you have taken care of your loved ones, how about joining us?

- We are better together! Volunteer!
- This is a chance to put your skills and knowledge to work. We need floor captains. We need people with medical, carpentry, and other skills. Other tasks just need many hands.
- You may think you don't know how to do any of this, but we are all self-taught.
- ▶ If you are curious or just want to learn more, we meet the 4<sup>th</sup> Monday of the month @ 3PM in the community room. Join us!
- ▶ Shy? Email us at <u>elec.leads@elizabethlofts.org</u>

#### Text Alert System - Reminder

- We purge all of the old numbers each year
- If you haven't already, you need to re-sign up by completing the OPT-IN form.
- Extra copies are here tonight.



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HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION

#### TEXT ALERT SYSTEM

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RETURN completed form to the Concierge or to the ELEC Committee (elec.leads@elizabethlofts.org