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## Disaster/Emergency Relief Plan of Action

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### Earthquake

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Manufactured home owners/residents need to know the physical location of piers/supports under their homes. During a severe earthquake, manufactured homes have been known to drop off their supports and these supports may come through the floor causing physical damage above. In order to avoid injury, residents must know the location of the supports and where safe areas are located within their manufactured homes. Be sure your manufactured home is installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions and all applicable state regulations and requirements.

1. Indoors: take cover under any sturdy piece of furniture or doorway or get up on a bed or couch that is against a wall.
2. Stay away from windows or ceiling objects such as lighting fixtures.
3. **Do not light matches** or candles.
4. **Do not turn on electrical** equipment of any kind.
5. Use only **battery operated** flash lights and radios.
6. Outdoors: find an open area and remain there until the earthquake stops.
7. Stay away from power poles and electrical lines, tall buildings, bridges, brick or block walls, underpasses and trees.
8. Listen to a self contained (battery operated) radio for emergency instructions.
9. Confine and secure all pets so they will not hamper emergency service employees in the performance of their duties.
10. After shocks may occur, so be prepared.

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### Tornado

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Although tornadoes are most common in Texas, Oklahoma, Kansas, Nebraska, states to the east like Minnesota, Wisconsin, Alabama, Florida, North Carolina, Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, and Ohio, all experience a relatively high number of tornadoes throughout the year. This is not a complete list of states that endure tornadoes and places like California, though not a common occurrence, have reported tornadoes.

1. Pay close attention to weather reports. Know the difference between a *watch* (when conditions are ripe for a severe weather event) and a *warning* (when a severe weather event is occurring or is imminent).
2. Plan where to go during severe weather. Keep your Family Disaster Supplies Kit near an exit door.
3. When a tornado warning has been issued, **leave your manufactured home immediately**. Go to your pre-determined safe place or lie down in a low area with your hands covering the back of your head and neck.
4. Be sure to keep a transistor radio with working and extra batteries handy.