

### **What do you need to do AFTER an earthquake hits Salt Lake City?**

1 – Check to make sure family members are okay.

2 - Administer first aid as needed.

3 – Calm family members – children and older people may be terribly frightened. Pets may be traumatized by the very loud noise of the quake. All will need your special care.

4 – Check for fires and gas leaks.

5 – Call for emergency help if needed – however, don't expect your 911 call to yield results if we experience a powerful quake. There will be too many victims for responders to help. Look for CERT people to come by your house, although it will take more than an hour for them to organize.

6 – Turn off gas if you suspect a leak (if not keep it on).

7 – Help others (neighbors, or those at work) if needed.

8 – Stay away from anything that can fall in an aftershock, or remove the source of danger.

9 – Clean up broken glass or other hazardous materials that may have spilled.

10 – Keep refrigerator closed as much as possible, eat food that will spoil first.

11 – Stay calm, keep informed, be patient, and as much as possible be self-sufficient.

And most of all, do not expect things to go as planned. Much will be determined on the time of day of the earthquake (is school in session, are parents at work), the day of the week (most families are separated from each other for at least part of the day, unless it is a weekend or holiday), and the time of the season (winter's cold requires plans to stay warm). Also, quite obviously, is the magnitude of the quake and how far you are from its epicenter.