

Join Us **April 28, 2011** **Register Now!**
for the Largest Earthquake Drill in Central U.S. History.



The [Great Central U.S. ShakeOut](#) is a regional drill aimed at getting everyone in the Central United States prepared for earthquakes. With ten states participating in this event, Arkansas is joining in the ShakeOut to encourage Arkansans wherever they are when an earthquake begins – home, work, school, anywhere – they should Drop, Cover, and Hold On.

Why is it important to do a [Drop, Cover, and Hold On](#) drill? As with any natural disaster hazard, you must practice often so you will react quickly during a real event. Because earthquakes give no notice, you may have only seconds to protect yourself.

At 10:15 AM on April 28, 2011, wherever you are*, you should Drop, Cover, and Hold On as if there were a major earthquake occurring at that very moment; and stay in this position for at least 60 seconds.

We are encouraging participation at all licensed and registered facilities. You can [register](#) and have employees and children practice Drop, Cover and Hold On.

Talk with your staff, parents, neighbors and friends about the ShakeOut and encourage their participation.

As a registered ShakeOut participant you will:

- Be counted in the largest earthquake drill ever!
- Be included on the lists of [who is participating](#) in your area
- Be an example that motivates others to participate and get prepared
- Be updated with ShakeOut news and other information about earthquakes and preparedness

You can visit [Seven Steps to Earthquake Safety](#) for tips on how to prepare for, protect and recover from an earthquake.

Here are other important links:

- [Arkansas Department of Emergency Management](#)
- [Arkansas Geological Survey](#)
- [Central United States Earthquake Consortium](#)
- [United States Geological Survey](#)
- [Ready.gov](#)
- [Arkansas Center for Earthquake Education and Technology](#)

If you have any questions about the Great Central U.S. ShakeOut, please feel free to contact the [Arkansas Department of Emergency Management](#), (501) 683-6700.

*There will not be any freeway closures, power outages, or other simulated effects of the hypothetical earthquake, unless your local government or utility company specifically notifies you this is going to happen.

Get Ready to ShakeOut.
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