What Do You Need in an Earthquake Survival Kit?

At a minimum, you should have the basic supplies listed below:

- Water: one gallon per person, per day for four days and water purifier.
- Food: non-perishable, easy-to-prepare items for 1 week, including manual can opener.
- Flashlights, LED lanterns.
- Battery-powered or hand-crank radio (and NOAA Weather Radio, if possible).
- Extra batteries.
- Family first aid kit and handbook
- Medications (7-day supply) and medical items.
- Personal safety equipment: sturdy shoes, heavy gloves, N-95 masks, emergency blankets.
- Sanitation and personal hygiene items, plastic bags (13 gallon) for human waste, moist towelettes.
- Copies of personal documents (medication list and pertinent medical information, proof of address, deed/lease to home, passports, birth certificates, insurance policies).
- List of emergency contact numbers.
- Cell phone with chargers.
- Family and emergency contact information.
- Extra cash.
- Map(s) of the area.

Consider the needs of all family members and add supplies to your kit:

- Medical supplies (hearing aids with extra batteries, glasses, contact lenses, syringes, etc.)
- Baby supplies (bottles, formula, baby food, diapers)
- Medical consent letters
- Games and activities for children
- Pet supplies (collar, leash, ID, food, carrier, bowl)
- Two-way radios
- Extra set of car keys and house keys

Additional supplies to keep at home or in your survival kit based on the types of disasters common to your area:

- Wrench to turn off utilities
- Whistle
- N95 or surgical masks
- Matches
- Rain gear
- Towels
- Work gloves
- Tools/supplies for securing your home
- Extra clothing, hat and sturdy shoes
- Plastic sheeting
- Duct tape
- Scissors
- Household liquid bleach for purifying water and/or water purifier (not filter) such as LifeStraw
- Entertainment items
- Blankets or sleeping bags