

Living on SHAKY GROUND

HOW TO SURVIVE EARTHQUAKES AND TSUNAMIS IN NORTHERN CALIFORNIA

Step 1

KNOW YOUR TSUNAMI ZONE AND SECURE YOUR SPACE



KNOW YOUR ZONE Find out if you live, work or visit in a tsunami zone. Look for the signs in your area, or visit your County Office of Emergency Services website for tsunami maps and brochures.

SECURE YOUR SPACE

Identify potential earthquake hazards caused by ground shaking and fix them.

HANGING OBJECTS

- Hang mirrors on closed hooks (A)
- Remove/secure hanging plants and heavy objects where people sleep, sit, or spend time

KITCHENS AND OBJECTS ON SHELVES

- Install latches on cabinets (B)
- Add lips to open shelves (C)
- Secure major appliances

FURNITURE

- Secure furniture like shelves, dressers, and cribs to walls (D)
- Store heavy and breakable items on lower shelves

HOME AND ELECTRONIC ITEMS

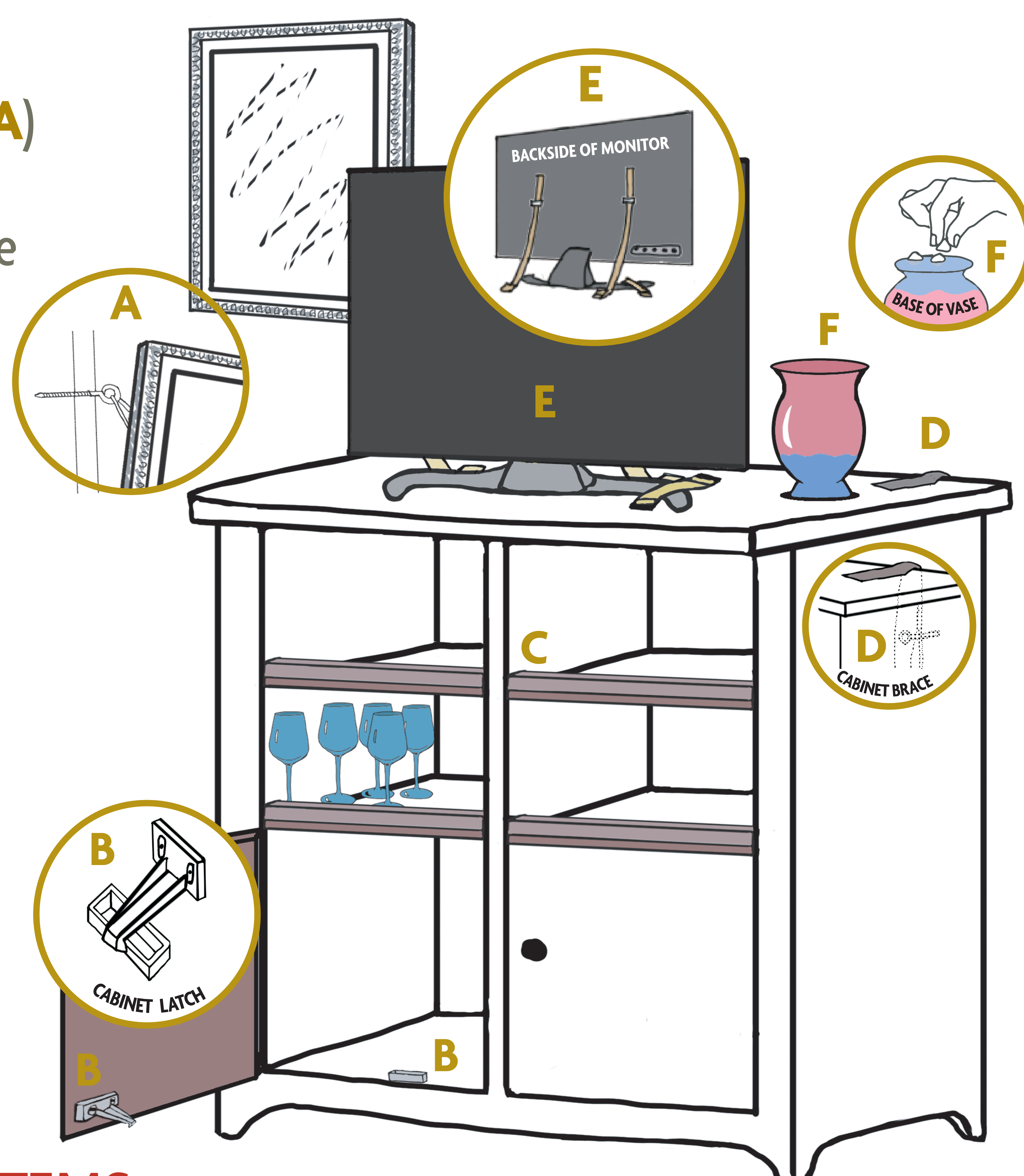
- Secure televisions, computers and other electronics with nylon straps and buckles (E)
- Use museum putty/wax or quake gel to secure small valuables (F)

ADDITIONAL ITEMS IN YOUR HOME

- In the garage, secure and store items so they won't fall and block access to doors and vehicles and know how to manually open garage doors
- Mount and secure propane tanks to concrete pads
- Inspect water and gas pipelines, install flexible gas connections, and anchor water heaters
- Anchor wood stoves and brace stove pipes
- Keep fire extinguishers accessible

FEEL OVERWHELMED?

Make a list of priorities and do one or two at a time.



Making your home
earthquake safe