

Living on SHAKY GROUND

HOW TO SURVIVE EARTHQUAKES AND TSUNAMIS IN NORTHERN CALIFORNIA

Step 4

IDENTIFY POTENTIAL WEAKNESSES AND BEGIN TO FIX THEM

EARTHQUAKES AND OTHER DISASTERS ARE COSTLY. Minimize losses by strengthening your home, organizing important documents, and making digital backup copies.

Earthquakes can shake a building in all directions - up and down, but most of all, from side to side. Consider your home's resilience to earthquake shaking.

- Determine if your building is adequately braced.
- If your house has a brick chimney, consult a professional to determine if it's safe.
- If you live in a mobile home, ensure you have an Earthquake-Resistant Bracing System (ERBS)
- If you rent, talk to your landlord about any building vulnerabilities and steps taken to remedy them.



[Earthquake Resistant Bracing System for mobile homes](#)

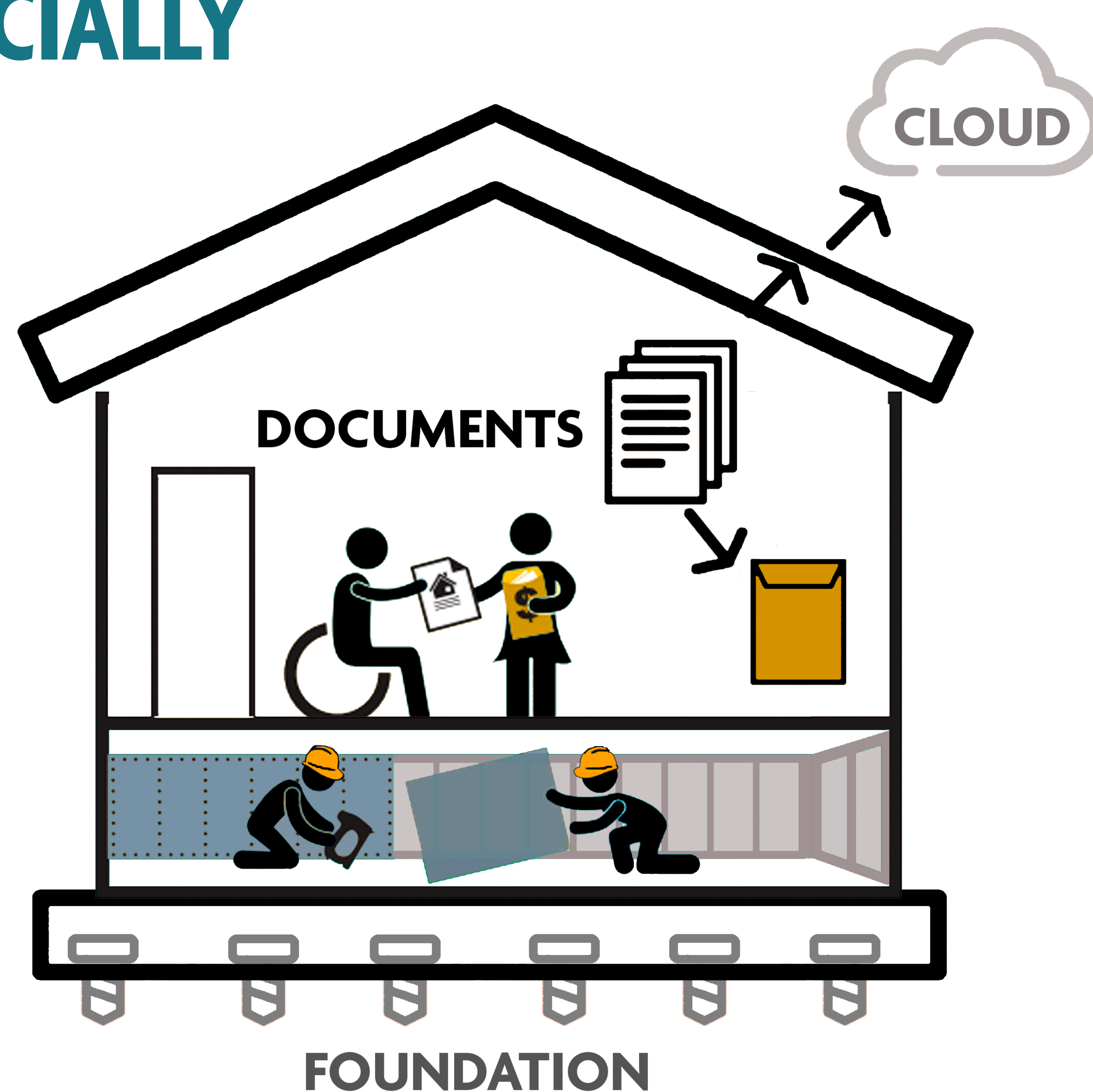
PROTECT YOURSELF FINANCIALLY

Organize important documents

including copies of identification, marriage/birth certifications, insurance cards, deeds, wills, contact information and photos of your belongings and family members. Store them in the cloud and in your Grab and Go Bag.

Take a video or photo inventory

of your home and belongings before a disaster for insurance purposes and applying for disaster assistance.



Consider earthquake or flood insurance

to cover losses from shaking damage or tsunami flooding.

Utilize the Earthquake Brace + Bolt Program to secure and reinforce your foundation.



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