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Dr. Lucy Jones Prepares Volunteers for the “Big One”

Date/Time: Friday, August 15, 2014/6:00 p.m.
Location: Simpson Strong-Tie Factory and Training Center
12246 Holly Street, Riverside

San Bernardino County volunteers from the Community Emergency Response Team (CERT), Emergency Communications Service (ECS), California Disaster Corps and Voluntary Organizations Active in Disasters (VOAD) programs know that when the Big One hits, initial response in their neighborhoods may be up to them. Lucy Jones, renowned earthquake expert, will be the featured speaker during the Second Annual San Bernardino County Fire, Office of Emergency Services' ShakeOut Workshop, leading the discussion on earthquake risk, preparedness and the impact volunteers can make through their respective organizations.

The sold-out workshop serves as an opportunity for these groups to learn the latest information about San Bernardino County's earthquake risk and ways they can better prepare themselves, their families and their communities for San Bernardino County's next damaging earthquake. Mark Benthien, the Global Coordinator for the ShakeOut Earthquake Drills will also address ways the volunteer groups can increase their participation in the Great California ShakeOut, which will be held this year on October 16 at 10:16.

This year's workshop is hosted at the Simpson Strong-Tie Warehouse and Training Center at 12246 Holly Street, Riverside. Recognized as a leader in producing structural products that help people build safer and stronger homes and buildings, Simpson Strong-Tie is a natural partner to bring this important workshop to San Bernardino County volunteers.

Remember, when the earth shakes, Drop, Cover and Hold On! All Southern California residents should know what to do before, during and after a major earthquake. For more information on steps you can take to be better prepared and to register as a ShakeOut participant go to www.shakeout.org/california.

MEDIA ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND

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