

Let's get our neighborhood prepared with
NEAR—Neighborhood Emergency Awareness & Response
A grassroots network of neighbors helping neighbors because
when fire and police can't be here, our neighbors will be NEAR.

NEAR Kickoff Meeting & Free Earthquake Preparedness Night

with an LAFD firefighter presenting what we need to know to survive a big quake

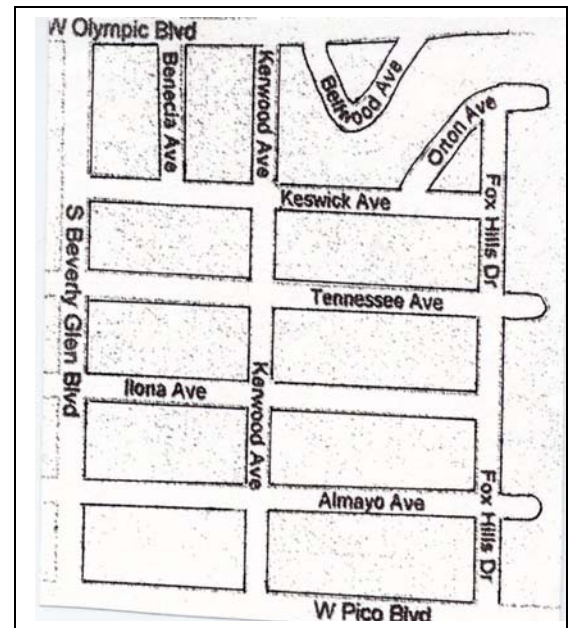
Date: Wed., Jan. 30, 2008
Time: 7:00-9:00 p.m.

Location: Temple Isaiah
10345 West Pico Blvd., Los Angeles 90064

**RSVP is required
as space is limited:**

Email: NEARnetwork@gmail.com or
Phone: 310.282.8440

This meeting will focus on the NEAR neighborhood that's east of Beverly Glen Blvd., west of Fox Hills Dr., north of Pico Blvd., and south of Olympic Blvd.



Why the need for NEAR? Pick your favorite reason:

1. We're long overdue for a major earthquake and about 93 percent of us aren't prepared.
2. Experts say most of us will have to rely on neighbors and coworkers for help instead of police, fire, and other emergency workers.
3. We may be on our own for as long as *five to seven days*.
4. The time to prepare for a major emergency is *before* it happens.
5. More self-reliant and prepared neighbors will be better able to cope and survive and assist others including our loved ones, our pets, and the neighbors on our block or in our building.
6. We need to be proactive about neighborhood safety and crime prevention.
7. When neighbors help neighbors prepare and be aware, the process can actually be fun.
8. Get to know your neighbors now and save lives later in an emergency!

NEAR is modeled on a number of outstanding local grassroots organizations, notably Culver City CERT, Topanga Canyon's T-CEP, and Beverly Glen's RoBG ePODs. **Let's make sure our neighbors here will be NEAR.**

For more information and to RSVP, email NEARnetwork@gmail.com.