

## **Nepal Earthquake Relief**

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To the UT Southwestern Community,

As you probably are aware, the country of Nepal was hit by a devastating earthquake on Saturday.

Almost 4,000 people are reported to have been killed by the magnitude-7.8 quake, and thousands have been injured.

On behalf of the entire campus, I want to express sympathy and best wishes to members of our UT Southwestern community who are from Nepal and to those who have close ties to family and friends there.

It is difficult not to be moved by such a tragedy. If you wish to support the relief efforts in Nepal, many reputable organizations are accepting contributions. These include:

- American Red Cross <a href="http://www.redcross.org/news/article/Red-Cross-Responding-to-78-Magnitude-Earthquake-in-Nepal">http://www.redcross.org/news/article/Red-Cross-Responding-to-78-Magnitude-Earthquake-in-Nepal</a>
- UNICEF https://www.unicefusa.org/donate/nepal-earthquake-help-children-now/24226
- AmeriCares https://secure.americares.org/site/Donation2?df\_id=15220&15220.donation=form1
- International Medical Corps <a href="https://internationalmedicalcorps.org/PRESS-release/nepal-earthquake">https://internationalmedicalcorps.org/PRESS-release/nepal-earthquake</a>

For those members of our community who may be personally affected by this tragedy, the <a href="Employee Assistance Program"><u>Employee Assistance Program</u></a> is available to all faculty and staff at 214-648-5330, and students may seek help from the Office of Student Mental Health at 214-645-8680.

Please join me in keeping our Nepalese colleagues and the people of Nepal in our thoughts during this most difficult time.

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