Medical Reserve Corps: Resource Guide

Ongoing

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AL

North Alabama Medical Reserve Corps

Medical Facility · Open

Medical Services

3330 L & N Drive, Suite I, Huntsville, AL 35801

Phone 256–881–7321 ext.208
Web medicalreservecorps.gov/detail.asp?id=1346&State=2
Service Temporary

Active in 2011 Tornado Support, per AL VOAD meeting.

Services offered: First Responder, SouthEast Region; Medical, Services, Emergency Medical Services
Campaigns: 2011 Alabama Tornado; 2011 Spring – Tornadoes–Floods–Wind Storms; Medical Reserve Corps

Updated May 18, 2011 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/8093

CA

Medical Reserve Corps – San Fernando Valley

Info/Hotline · Open

Community Safety

P.O. Box 4832, Panorma City, CA 91412

Phone (206) 984–2676

In response to the September 11th tragedy, the President signed an Executive Order for the development of the Corps under the Department of Homeland Security. We have established the long–due San Fernando Valley Medical Reserve Corps (SFV–MRC) unit, officially registered and approved by the Medical Reserve Corps HQ, in the Office of the Surgeon General. It is also recognized as part of the White House's USA Freedom Corps initiative and the Department of Homeland Security's Citizen Corps.

The SFV–MRC aims to unify and coordinate the efforts of medical and public health volunteers/centers; commercial and non–profit organizations; and law, fire and other emergency response programs to ensure that communities are working collaboratively in order to meet local emergency needs as they arise. The ultimate purpose of the SFV–MRC is to develop a systematic, efficient, and effective method for providing public education and training opportunities, stimulating wide–spread participation, and organizing volunteer programs to increase the safety of our communities.

Sponsored by the Global Neuroscience Initiative Foundation, the Corps will serve the nearly two million residents of Arleta, Burbank, Calabasas, Canoga Park, Chatsworth, Encino, Hidden Hills, Glendale, Granada Hills, North Hollywood, Northridge, Pacoima, Studio City, San Fernando, Sherman Oaks, Sun Valley, Sylmar, Tujunga, Van Nuys, and Woodland Hills. Furthermore, the Corps has expanded its audience globally for education and public health programs.

Services offered: Volunteer Opportunities, In General * (ANY/ALL Types)
Campaigns: Medical Reserve Corps

Updated Oct 10, 2007 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/2160

IN

VOAD – INVOAD – Indiana Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster

Info/Hotline · Open

VOAD (State Level)

615 West State Street Rm 211, West Lafayette, IN 47907

Phone 765–494–8410
Web www.invoad.com
Service Temporary

For Member Information:

http://www.invoad.com/members.php

http://www.invoad.com/coad.php

Community Organizations Active in Disaster (COADs) bring volunteers together from across the community to increase communication and coordination to reduce the impact of disasters. Anyone interested in setting up a COAD in Indiana is encouraged to contact:

Steve Cain
EDEN Homeland Security Project Director

INVOAD President
Purdue University
Department of Ag Communications
615 West State Street Rm 211
West Lafayette, IN 47907
ph: 765–494–8410 / fax: 765–496–1117
Cell: 765–427–8881
email: cain@purdue.edu

Bringing Construction to the Table
http://www.nvoad.org/Portals/0/Bringing%20Construction%20to%20the%20Table.ppt

Counties with Active Long–Term Recovery Committees
http://www.invoad.com/ltrccounties.php
(SOME have websites)

Services offered: Long Term Recovery Committee (LTRC), Unmet Needs Committee Meetings; LTRC, Long Term Recovery Committee Advice; Support for "All" Disasters
Campaigns: 211 (groups that are ASSOCIATED with 211); American Red Cross / Int'l Federation of RC / ICRC / IFRC; Catholic Charities; Church of the Brethren Disaster Response; CWS ~ Church World Service; Government, FEMA / Department of Homeland Security; Humane Society of the United States, The; Lion's Club; Lutheran Disaster Response; Medical Reserve Corps; Mennonite Disaster Service; Salvation Army; Society of St. Vincent de Paul; Southern Baptist Convention Disaster Relief; UCC ~ United Church of Christ; United Methodist Disaster Response; United Way; VOAD, NVOAD (National Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster – this org is a member); VOAD – Voluntary Organizations Active In Disaster (this Org is a State Level Member); World Renew (also known as CRWRC–DRS ~ Christian Reformed World Relief Committee–Disaster Response Services
Updated Jun 28, 2010 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/4731

MA

FEMA Region 1 VAL (Voluntary Agency Liaison) – Massachusetts

Info/Hotline · Open

FEMA
99 High Street; 6th Floor, Boston, MA 02110
Phone (617) 956–7506
Web www.fema.gov/about/regions/regioni/regioni.shtm
Service Temporary
Campaigns: 2010 Massachusetts Flooding; 2010 New England Flooding; 211 (groups that are ASSOCIATED with 211); Aidmatrix; American Red Cross / Int'l Federation of RC / ICRC / IFRC; AmeriCorps; Catholic Charities; Citizen Corps; COAD (Community Organizations Active in Disaster); Connecticut Association For Community Action – CAFCA; EMA (Emergency Management Agency) Regional/County; Government, EMA (Emergency Management Agency), County; Government, Federal; Government, FEMA / Department of Homeland Security; Government, FEMA / Department of Homeland Security, National Shelter System (NSS); Government, FEMA (this item ONLY for actual FEMA/HQ contacts/entries); Government, FEMA VAL contacts/orgs/entries; Government, US Government Agency (This Site IS a Gov Agency); Government, US Government Site; Habitat For Humanity; Hands On Disaster Response; LDS ~ Lutheran Disaster Services; LTRC, Long Term Recovery Committee; LTRG, Long Term Recovery Group; Lutheran Disaster Response; Medical Reserve Corps; Mennonite Disaster Service; Presbyterian Disaster Assistance; Salvation Army; Tri–State LTRG (New England); UMCOR Relief Network; VOAD, NVOAD (National Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster – this org is a member); VOAD – Voluntary Organizations Active In Disaster (this Org is a State Level Member)
Updated Sep 14, 2011 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/5915

Medical Reserve Corp, Agawam (Tornado Support)

Info/Hotline · Open

MA
Web www.wmmrc.org
Service Temporary

Agawam Medical Reserve Corps website

Randall White
Agawam Board of Health
413–786–0400 ext. 208
health @ agawam . ma . us
36 Main Street
Agawam, MA 01001

posted on the website, June 2011:

American Red Cross requesting Medical Reserve Corps assistance

Dear MRC Unit Leaders,

The American Red Cross has requested assistance. ARC is facing significant gaps in staffing for shelters in the gulf area, for current operations with the tornadoes as well as anticipated operations for flooding. The pool of local ARC volunteers has been tapped, but is insufficient. ARC is currently looking for licensed or certified health and mental health volunteers who may be willing, able and approved to deploy as a ARC volunteer to support general shelter operations. ARC health/mental training is a plus, but they are willing to take individuals without the training (and will provide just in time training). Note: This is not a Federal or State deployment of MRC volunteers. This is a voluntary activation to support a partner organization.

If you have volunteers that you would approve for deployment, please tell them to contact the local Red Cross chapter (www.redcross.org) to begin the activation process and to receive just–in–time training. Note that these MRC volunteers must meet the following Red Cross eligibility criteria. For Disaster Health Services the individual must:

a. Have an active and unrestricted license (i.e. RN, LPN, LVN, NP, EMT, MD, DO) AND b. Current CPR For Disaster Mental Health the individual must: a. Have an active and unrestricted independent license and masters degree as a clinical social worker, psychologist, professional counselor, marriage and family therapist, psychiatric nurse, or psychiatrist OR b. Have an active and unrestricted state license/certification and masters degree as a school psychologist or school counselor OR c. Have an active and unrestricted state license and a bachelors degree (BSN) as a registered nurse and American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC) certification in mental health nursing ARC has agreed to accommodate groups who wish to deploy together. Any questions should be directed to the local ARC chapter. Thank you for your consideration and willingness to help.

For more information contact:

Brenda Brouillette
Emergency Service Director – Western MA
Deputy Director – Chapter Services
American Red Cross
Pioneer Valley Chapter
506 Cottage Street
Springfield, MA 01104
413–233–1005 (direct)
413–265–0683 (cell)
413–785–0929 (fax)
www.redcrosscwm.org

Services offered: Volunteer Opportunities, In General * (ANY/ALL Types); Volunteer, Volunteer Registry, Online
Campaigns: 2011 Massachusetts Tornado; 2011 Spring – Tornadoes–Floods–Wind Storms; American Red Cross; Medical Reserve Corps
Updated Jun 3, 2011 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/8541

MN

COUNTY, Clay County HQ (County Seat = Moorhead, MN)

Info/Hotline · Open

Government
Sheriff: 915 9th Avenue North; HQ: 807 11th Street North, Moorhead, MN 56560
Phone Admin: 218.299.5002, Sheriff: 218.299.5151
Web www.co.clay.mn.us
Hours M–F 8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m., or 24x7 at Sheriff
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County Administrator:
Vijay Sethi
vijay.sethi @co.clay.mn.us

Sheriff:
Bill Bergquist
sheriff @co.clay.mn.us

Medical Reserve Corps (EMA–affiliated)
Cheryl Sapp, BSN, PHN
218.299.7196
cheryl.sapp @co.clay.mn.us

Emergency Corps:

http://www.co.clay.mn.us/Depts/Health/MRAbout.htm
http://www.co.clay.mn.us/Depts/Health/MRFAQs.htm

Campaigns: 2009 MidWest Floods; Government, State/County; Medical Reserve Corps
Updated Jun 21, 2012 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/4162

Minnesota Responds (Official Medical Reserve Corps Volunteer Coordination)

Info/Hotline · Open

Volunteer Coordination Headquarters
625 Robert St. N; P.O. Box 64975, St Paul, MN 55164

Phone 1–651–201–5700
Contact Medical and non–medical Volunteer Coordinator
Email minnesotaresponds@state.mn.us
Web www.mnresponds.org
Service Temporary

from the website:

Minnesota Responds Medical Reserve Corps (MN Responds MRC) is part of a nationwide initiative to pre–register, manage, and mobilize volunteers to help their communities respond to all types of disasters. The Minnesota Department of Health provides the framework for coordinating multiple local, regional and state based programs of volunteers who have medical, public health, or other needed skills.

The structure of each MN Responds MRC unit varies, depending on its own unique requirements and on the needs of the people and community that it serves. Volunteers donate their time and expertise in the area where they live, making it easier for them to help their own family, neighborhood and community. For additional assistance, please review the responder guide.

Following the events of 9/11, professionals with healthcare–related skills were among those who wanted to volunteer their services. Without prior training and credentialing, they were unable to do so. The anthrax attacks in the fall of 2001 reinforced the need to pre–screen and train volunteers to assist with emergency operations.

Your local MN Responds MRC units help communities meet unexpected medical and public health needs, using qualified local volunteers.

The number of volunteers needed vary depending on the emergency and the needs of the community. There is also the chance that a number of volunteers will have conflicts, at the time they are requested to help, that prevent them from volunteering. We would like to register a large number of volunteers so each community will have enough when the need arises.

Minnesota is looking for anyone willing to volunteer their skills in the event of a health emergency. These persons include:

Healthcare professionals, such as physicians, nurses, pharmacists, dentists, nursing assistants, respiratory therapists, psychiatrists, veterinarians, etc.
Public health professionals

Behavioral health and social service professionals including psychologists, social workers, counselors, interpreters, and chaplains
Support staff such as clerical workers, data entry, greeters, traffic control, canteen workers, etc.

Volunteers may be practicing, retired, college students, or otherwise employed
The University of Minnesota and the Minnesota Veterinary Association also run state–wide programs with a similar focus, but there are certain requirements for participation. Persons registering in the MN Responds MRC are asked specific questions to determine eligibility in these programs.

The local health volunteer administrator will make an assessment of training needs and appropriate assignments. You may be asked to perform tasks related to your profession, trade, or skills, or in other places if the need exists.

Can I register in Minnesota Responds if I'm not currently licensed or if I do not have any experience or training in public health or healthcare?
Yes. Whether you are actively licensed, a student, retired health professional, or someone with an interest in volunteering during a health emergency, you are encouraged to register. Because many health personnel will already be committed to a role during an emergency, many areas are actively recruiting "non–health" personnel who will assist health professionals when the need arises.

Each MN Responds MRC unit is organized through a local public health agency, groups of public health agencies, and there is also the Minnesota Veterinary Corps and University of Minnesota. The focus for the response is to address health emergencies. All the programs coordinate with each and with the American Red Cross, CERT, and other local or state volunteer programs.

Your local program administrator will contact you for training opportunities, or any requirements for participation. Some programs will choose to wait until they need you and then provide just–in–time training to prepare you. When you are asked to volunteer, you will know what type of event it is, where you are being asked to respond, what will be expected from you, and what you need to know to help out and keep yourself safe.

There are no provisions for compensating volunteers. Generally, expenses for travel, lodging, and meals are provided. If you are asked to volunteer, you will receive additional information regarding expense reimbursement.

Minnesota State laws (Minn. Stat. §12.22) provides that individuals will not be held liable for acts or omissions committed while serving as emergency or disaster volunteers if:

They were acting within the scope of their volunteer responsibilities;
They were properly licensed, certified, or authorized by the appropriate authorities for the activity or practice by the State of Minnesota, and the activities or practice was undertaken within the scope of their volunteer responsibility;

The harm caused is not the result of willful or criminal misconduct, gross negligence, reckless misconduct or a conscious flagrant indifference to the rights or safety of the person harmed.
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If you register into the MN Responds MRC at www.mnresonds.org your local county public health agency will receive your information. You can also contact your local Public Health agency to find out who is coordinating volunteer efforts in your area.

Services offered: First Responder, MidWest Region; Volunteer Opportunities, In General * (ANY/ALL Types); Volunteers, Individual Volunteers (This facility accomodates Individuals Volunteers); Volunteer, Volunteer Registry, Online
Campaigns: 2009 MidWest Floods; Medical Reserve Corps
Updated Mar 24, 2009 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/4163

OK

VOAD (VOLUNTARY ORGANIZATIONS ACTIVE IN DISASTER), State of OKLAHOMA

Info/Hotline · Open

c/o Oklahoma Department of Emergency Management; PO Box 53365, Oklahoma City, OK 73152
Phone 405–521–2481
Web www.okvoad.org
Serves Oklahoma, State of
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No site updates for the Aug. 2012 Oklahoma Wildfires

Services offered: Support for "All Local" Disasters
Campaigns: 2012 Oklahoma – Wildfires; 211 (Affiliation: 211 (choose this ONLY for actual 211 operations); ACTS World Relief; Adventist Community Services Disaster Relief; American Baptist Men Disaster Relief; American Radio Relay League, Inc.; American Red Cross; Billy Graham Rapid Response Team; Christian Churches Disciples of Christ; Church of the Brethren Disaster Response; Citizen Corps; CityTeam; Convoy of Hope; CWS ~ Church World Service; Feeding America; Feed The Children; Government, EMA (Emergency Management Agency) State; Government, FEMA / Department of Homeland Security; Habitat For Humanity; Hands On Disaster Response; Hands On Network; Hope Coalition America (A Division of Operation Hope); Humane Society of the United States, The; International Relief & Development (IRD); LDS ~ Church of Jesus Christ of Latter–day Saints; Lutheran Disaster Response; Lutheran Social Services Disaster Response; Medical Reserve Corps; Mennonite Disaster Service; Mercy Medical Airlift; Nazarene Disaster Response; Noah's Wish; Operation Blessing; REACT International; Salvation Army; Samaritan's Purse; Save The Children; Society of St. Vincent de Paul; Southern Baptist Convention Disaster Relief; Tzu Chi Foundation; UCC ~ United Church of Christ; United Methodist Church; United Way; VOAD, NVOAD (National Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster), Associate Member/Informal Affiliation; VOAD, NVOAD (National Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster – this org is a member); VOAD – Voluntary Organizations Active In Disaster (this Org is a State Level Member); World Hope International; World Renew (also known as CRWRC–DRS ~ Christian Reformed World Relief Committee–Disaster Response Services; World Vision
Updated Aug 9, 2012 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/9251

TX

VOAD – Dallas County Texas

Info/Hotline · Open

VOAD
TX
Web dallascountyvoad.org
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The role of the Dallas County VOAD is to coordinate planning and preparedness efforts in advance of a disaster. The Dallas County VOAD is not designed for operational management, and is not itself a service delivery organization. Instead, its members operate independently to provide disaster relief and recovery services, and do so cooperatively through the Dallas County VOAD. The Dallas County VOAD is committed to the idea that the best time to prepare, train, and become acquainted with one another is prior to the actual disaster response.

Dallas County VOAD
Elected Officers – 2011

President
Marty Nerren
American Red Cross - Dallas Area Chapter
Director, Emergency Planning and Branch Operations
4800 Harry Hines Blvd.
Dallas, TX 75235

Vice President
Bill Gresso
Texas Baptist Men – North Texas Region
5351 Catron
Dallas, TX 75227

Secretary
Gordon Foote

If you would like more information on Dallas County VOAD, please email us at: dallascountyvoad @gmail.com

2011 Membership

– Adventist Community Services
– American Red Cross – Dallas Area Chapter
– Baptist General Convention of Texas – Texas Baptist Men
– Catholic Charities of Dallas
– City of Dallas OEM (Affiliate Member)
– Community Council of Greater Dallas and 2–1–1
– Dallas County Medical Reserve Corps
– Dallas County REACT, Inc.
– Metroplex Animal Coalition (MAC)
– North Texas Food Bank
– Search One Rescue
– SPCA of Texas
– St. Vincent de Paul Society of Dallas
– The Salvation Army Greater Dallas Area Metroplex Command
– The Volunteer Center of North Texas
– United Methodist Church – North Texas Conference
– Victim Relief Ministries
– World Vision

Services offered: Support for "All" Disasters
Campaigns: Adventist Community Services Disaster Relief; American Red Cross / Int'l Federation of RC / ICRC / IFRC; Catholic Charities; Government, FEMA / Department of Homeland Security; Government, State, OEM (Office of Emergency Management); Medical Reserve Corps; Salvation Army; Society of St. Vincent de Paul; Texas Baptist Men Disaster Relief; VOAD – Voluntary Organizations Active In Disaster (this Org is a State Level Member); World Vision
Updated Sep 16, 2011 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/1722