Medical Reserve Corps
Volunteers Building Strong, Healthy, and Prepared Communities

Medical Reserve Corps Monthly Report: June 2018

Monthly at a Glance

910 MRC units
190,920 volunteers

Hocking County MRC (OH) volunteers assisted with 40 disaster assessments for homes affected by flooding in June.

909 MRC activities reported

![Bar chart illustrating the impact of MRC unit activities]

- Improved community preparedness: 471
- Participated in emergency response: 19
- Served a vulnerable population: 254
- Strengthened MRC unit: 599
- Strengthened public health: 481
- Supported non-emergency community event: 348
- Trained to improve response capability: 346

The number of activities notes the number of unique entries by MRC unit leaders for the current month. MRC unit leaders also select impact areas for each activity, which may include multiple categories. Thus, the numbers in the bar chart may not equal the total number of activities.

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- **Delaware County MRC (DE)** volunteers participated in a full-scale exercise focused on dispensing medical countermeasures from the Strategic National Stockpile.
- **Butler County MRC (KS)** responded with the community emergency response team (CERT) to assist with cleanup and checking in on volunteers following a tornado that struck Eureka, KS.
- **Louisville Metro MRC (KY)** provided 40.5 hours of Hepatitis A vaccination support for patients in response to the Louisville Metro Hepatitis A outbreak.
- **New Orleans MRC (LA)** provided training to new members on hurricane season procedures, the role of the New Orleans MRC during an evacuation, how to respond effectively if there is extreme heat, how to operate a shelter, and how to address special needs in shelters.
- **City of Cannon Beach MRC (OR)** operated a first aid station during the Sandcastle Contest at Cannon Beach.
- **Rhode Island MRC (RI)** volunteers provided six separate training sessions on opioid overdose recognition and proper techniques for responding to an overdose, teaching members of the public how to administer Naloxone and perform rescue breathing.
Strengthening the MRC Network and Enhancing Connectivity with Partners

- As part of the program’s monthly Well Check Webinar series, MRC staff hosted a webinar on June 5 on the topic of MRC vehicles and their use. 107 participants attended. A recording is archived on the MRC website.

- MRC Leadership, along with other staff from the Office of the Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response, attended and presented at the HOSA-Future Health Professionals International Leadership Conference in Dallas, TX, from June 27-30, 2018.

- MRC Regional Liaisons participated in various state and local MRC and coalition meetings to engage state leaders, unit coordinators, and volunteers. Examples of these meetings included the following:
  - The New Hampshire (NH) Emergency Preparedness Statewide Conference
  - The Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response/Office of Emergency Management/Partner Readiness and Emergency Programs/MRC Meeting in Frederick, MD
  - The Region 6 (AR, LA, NM, OK, and TX) MRC Coordinators Conference

- The Region 8 (CO, MT, ND, SD, UT, and WY) MRC Liaison coordinated a meeting with the Colorado State MRC lead and the Corporation for National and Community Service manager to discuss and plan for AmeriCorps VISTA (Volunteers in Service to America) member support of the Colorado MRC units.

- The Region 10 (AK, ID, OR, and WA) MRC Liaison participated in the Washington MRC Training event on Sat, June 30. This event included MRC units from seven counties that self-organized with the Red Cross.

- The Region 4 (AL, FL, GA, KY, MS, NC, SC, TN) MRC Liaison assisted with monitoring of the Hepatitis A outbreak and provided vaccination technical assistance to MRC Units in Kentucky and Tennessee. These units ran nearly 15 vaccination clinics/outreach events at community centers and festivals and in other contexts.

- The Region 5 (IL, IN, MI, MN, OH, and WI) MRC Liaison hosted the Quarterly Region 5 MRC Meeting.

Pictured: (Left) MRC coordinators gathered at the Region 6 MRC Coordinators Conference; (Right) Denton County MRC (TX) volunteers provided information on the MRC program at a booth at the United States Public Health Service Symposium in early June.

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