



Medical Reserve Corps

Volunteers Building Strong, Healthy, and Prepared Communities

Medical Reserve Corps Monthly Report: October 2019

Monthly at a Glance



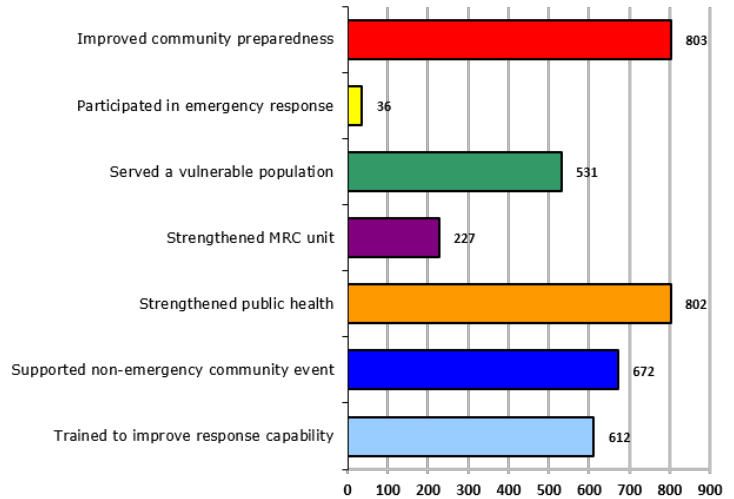
845 MRC units

179,885 volunteers

MRC units devoted more than **1,000** hours to activities relating to flu vaccinations.



1,306 MRC activities reported



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.

MRC: Building Strong, Healthy, and Prepared Communities

- ★ After officials determined that drinking water in five Michigan counties had an amount of lead that exceeded acceptable levels, the **Wayne County Medical Reserve Corps (MI)** helped distribute lead filtration devices to affected community members.
- ★ In response to the Kincadee wildfire in Sonoma County, California, members of the **Contra Costa County Medical Reserve Corps (CA)**, the **Ventura County Medical Reserve Corps (CA)**, and the **Marin Medical Reserve Corps (CA)** provided medical care at several evacuation shelters. In addition, nurses with the **Marin Medical Reserve Corps (CA)** placed several thousand well-check calls to residents.
- ★ In response to planned power outages in California, **Contra Costa County Medical Reserve Corps (CA)** members relied on the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services's emPOWER data to identify and contact individuals who have medical equipment that requires electricity. The volunteers made sure these individuals were aware of the scheduled outages and shared the location of charging stations.
- ★ **Northeast Missouri Medical Reserve Corps (MO)** volunteers assisted with three different flu vaccination clinics, helping administer 1,456 flu vaccines in six hours.
- ★ Volunteers with the **NC-400 Duke Trauma RAC / NC-400 State Medical Assistance Team (NC)** attended a week-long course on Hospital Emergency Response Teams. The course prepares healthcare responders to use the Hospital Incident Command System during a mass casualty incident involving patient contamination.

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 October 1 that focused on managing spontaneous medical volunteers during disasters. A recording is archived on the [MRC website](#).
- ★ The Region 1 (CT, ME, MA, NH, RI, and VT) MRC Liaison presented at the Connecticut Health Care Coalition meeting and the Connecticut MRC/Community Emergency Response Team Annual volunteer summit.
- ★ The Region 3 (DC, DE, MD, PA, VA, and WV) MRC Liaison participated in the Philadelphia-Camden-Wilmington metropolitan statistical area "Frankenthrox" full-scale exercise, which involved multiple local, state, and federal agencies.
- ★ The Region 4 (AL, FL, GA, KY, MS, NC, SC, TN) MRC Liaison attended the Tennessee State MRC Leaders Conference and exchanged concepts, best practices, and tools with other participants.
- ★ The Region 5 (IL, IN, MI, MN, OH, and WI) MRC Liaison attended the Cook County MRC Volunteers in Preparedness VIP Training at Marine Valley College in Illinois.
- ★ The Region 6 (AR, LA, NM, OK, and TX) MRC Liaison attended the Public Healthcare Preparedness Symposium in Galveston, Texas.
- ★ The Region 7 (IA, KS, MO, and NE) MRC Liaison attended the Show-Me Partnerships Conference, a joint emergency human services conference and volunteer symposium in Lake Ozark, Missouri.
- ★ The Region 10 (AK, ID, OR, and WA) MRC Liaison attended a Washington patient movement exercise planning meeting.



Pictured: (above) Members of the Portsmouth Health District Medical Reserve Corps (VA) operate a drive-through flu vaccination clinic.

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