



Medical Reserve Corps

Volunteers Building Strong, Healthy, and Prepared Communities

Medical Reserve Corps Monthly Report: September 2019

Monthly at a Glance



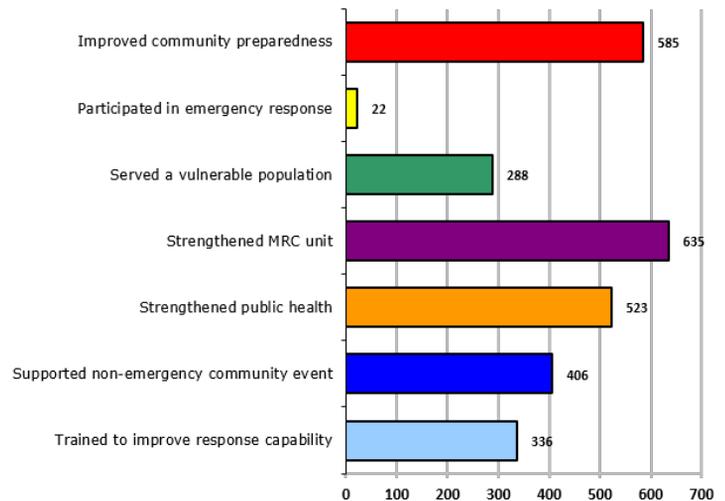
848 MRC units

181,217 volunteers

MRC units in Virginia, North and South Carolina, and Florida devoted more than **500** hours in response to Hurricane Dorian, with many volunteers helping operate medical shelters.



939 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

- ★ In response to Tropical Storm Imelda, which caused severe flooding, **Montgomery County MRC (TX)** volunteers deployed to two shelters, where they carried out medical assessments.
- ★ **Mid Ohio Valley MRC (WV)** members assisted with an evacuation relating to a gas leak.
- ★ Medical and non-medical volunteers with the **Bear River Medical Reserve Corps - Box Elder County (UT)** helped operate a flu vaccination clinic.
- ★ Members of the **MRC of Morgan County, IN (IN)** provided rehabilitation support of responders at the scene of a house fire.
- ★ The **Medical Reserve Corps of Puerto Rico (PR)** provided training to 40 participants on the Incident Command System and the National Incident Management System.
- ★ The **Linn County Medical Reserve Corps (OR)** provided first aid services at a local community event that draws over 60,000 people annually.
- ★ **Monmouth County Health Department Medical Reserve Corps (NJ)** volunteers operated a first aid tent at the Belmar Beach Bash for Autism.
- ★ **Brookline Medical Reserve Corps (MA)** members distributed nearly 200 emergency preparedness starter bags to community members.

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 September 10 that focused on best practices for volunteer training plans, including examples from a local MRC unit, an overview of the MRC Core Competencies Volunteer Training Plan, and a short demo of MRC TRAIN capabilities. A recording is archived on the [MRC website](#).
- ★ The Region 5 (IL, IN, MI, MN, OH, and WI) MRC Liaison participated in the Triennial O'Hare International Airport Exercise with staff from the Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response's (ASPR's) Region 5 office. The exercise simulates a full-scale emergency at the Chicago airport and tests mobilization, communications, and coordination between all the agencies involved.
- ★ The Region 6 (AR, LA, NM, OK, and TX) MRC Liaison communicated with Region 6 coastal MRC units in Texas and Louisiana in anticipation of Tropical Storm Imelda.
- ★ The Region 9 (AZ, CA, HI, NV, Guam, American Samoa, CNMI, FSMI, RMI, and Palau) MRC Liaison met at the Region 9 ASPR warehouse in Rancho Cordova, California, with staff from the State of California Department of Health, the California Emergency Medical Services Authority, and ASPR Region 9 to discuss how California can request emergency resources from the federal government.
- ★ The Region 10 (AK, ID, OR, and WA) MRC Liaison participated in the Federal Emergency Management Agency Region 10 Regional Interagency Steering Committee meeting in Portland, Oregon.



Pictured: (left) A Virginia MRC volunteer participates in the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Preparedness Fair, which was organized as part of National Preparedness Month; **(right)** Capital Medical Reserve Corps (NC) volunteers help set up a medical shelter in North Carolina in response to Hurricane Dorian; the volunteers also helped operate the shelter.

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