

Wasco County



WHO can volunteer?

The Wasco County MRC is NOT only for licensed medical professionals, it's open to anyone 18 years of age or older with a desire to help build a strong, healthy and prepared community.

We are actively seeking practicing, retired or otherwise employed medical professionals. During an event, incident or exercise, only those licensed by the appropriate licensing or certification board will be asked to provide health care services.

We are ALSO seeking community members that are interested in performing administrative and other essential support functions.

Residents from neighboring counties may also volunteer for Wasco County MRC.

WHY volunteer for the MRC?

- ✦ FREE CEU/CME opportunities.
- ✦ Opportunity for you to make your community safer and more resilient!
- ✦ Gain personal preparedness knowledge to help yourself & your family.
- ✦ Network with others that share your sense of community.

ABOUT the Medical Reserve Corps ...

Experience has shown that pre-identified, pre-credentialed and pre-trained volunteers can make a big difference in a community's response and recovery following a disaster.

Following the attacks on 9/11/01, over 40,000 volunteers arrived at the scene with a desire to aid in the relief efforts. However; these volunteers were not trained or part of a response team, so they ultimately hindered the relief efforts and had to be turned away. Shortly thereafter, the Medical Reserve Corps was founded to provide the infrastructure necessary for volunteers to be part of a cohesive disaster relief effort.

The Medical Reserve Corps (MRC) is a community-based, civilian volunteer program that helps build the public health capacity of communities nationwide. Each MRC unit is organized and trained to address a wide range of community needs from public health education to disaster response.

The MRC is a specialized component of Citizen Corps, a national network of volunteer organizations, dedicated to ensuring hometown security. The mission of the MRC is to improve the health and safety of communities across the country by organizing and utilizing public health, medical and other volunteers.

VOLUNTEERS Building Strong, Healthy and PREPARED COMMUNITIES

Volunteer • Prepare • Respond



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WHAT can MRC volunteers do?

During a disaster, MRC activities might include:

- ✦ Dispensing medication or vaccines.
- ✦ Performing medical triage.
- ✦ Assisting with a HELP-Hotline.
- ✦ Directing victims to a safe location.
- ✦ Staffing a shelter or family assistance center.

Non-disaster MRC activities might include:

- ✦ Health or Emergency Preparedness Fairs.
- ✦ Public Health Community Education.
- ✦ Emer. Preparedness Exercises or Drills.
- ✦ Blanket Drive to Assist the Homeless.
- ✦ First Aid Station For Local Events.
- ✦ MRC Group Votes on New Activities!

REQUIREMENTS:

- Register at www.SERV-OR.org and select Wasco County MRC as your unit.
- Agree to a background check & if licensed, agree to have credentials verified.
- Attend a Volunteer Orientation.
- Complete FREE Incident Command System (ICS) Courses; IS100 & IS700. Available at: <http://training.fema.gov/>
- Complete FREE Personal Preparedness Course. Available at: www.ualbanycphp.org/learning/registration/tab.cfm?course=pep&s=Register

WHERE can MRC volunteers serve?

- ✦ Volunteers are encouraged to participate in all local, non-disaster, MRC group outreach activities.
- ✦ Volunteers may be asked to aid in disaster relief efforts in our local area, depending on skills needed.
- ✦ Once registered on SERV-OR (Oregon's State Managed Volunteer Pool), the State may contact licensed medical professionals for disaster relief efforts elsewhere.
- ✦ **Please Note:** You ALWAYS have the option to decline volunteering, for any reason.

JOIN NOW or learn more...

- ✦ Wasco County MRC is housed with North Central Public Health District (NCPHD).
- ✦ Mail Enrollment Form to:
NCPHD - Attn: Tanya Wray
419 East 7th St. The Dalles, OR 97058
or register on SERV-OR and select Wasco County as your unit.
- ✦ Phone: 541-506-2631
- ✦ Email: tanyaw@co.wasco.or.us
- ✦ Web: www.ncphd.org
Programs Tab - Medical Reserve Corps Under Public Health Emergency Prep.
- ✦ Or visit us on Facebook!
(Wasco County Medical Reserve Corps)

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ENROLLMENT FORM



Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____

State: _____ Zip: _____

Please enter contact information and fill in the for all preferred methods of contact:

Home phone: _____

Cell phone: _____

Work phone: _____

Home E-mail: _____

Work E-mail: _____

Other: _____

I'm interested in being a MEDICAL volunteer:

Physician

EMT

Nurse

Alt. Care Provider

Pharmacist

Mental Health Provider

Dentist

Other: _____

I'm interested in being a NON-MEDICAL volunteer:

Interpreter

Community Outreach/
Education

Chaplain

Clerical Staff

Other: _____

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