



Tri-County Collaborative Medical Reserve Corps

Disaster Sanitation Outreach Volunteer

About the Medical Reserve Corps

The Medical Reserve Corps (MRC) is a national network of volunteers, organized locally, that is committed to improving the health and safety of their communities. MRC units organize and utilize local volunteers who want to donate their time and expertise to prepare for and respond to emergencies and to support ongoing preparedness initiatives. The Clackamas, Multnomah and Washington County MRC units have formed the Tri-County MRC Collaborative which centralizes the administrative, onboarding, and training processes to improve cross-county coordination, increase volunteer opportunities and streamline deployments. MRC units in the Tri-Counties consist of licensed medical and health professionals as well as qualified and certified medical interpreters. There is also a cadre of non-medical volunteers in the Washington County unit.

Position Description

The Disaster Sanitation Outreach Volunteer is responsible for collaborating with their county's MRC Unit Coordinator to facilitate presentations about Disaster Sanitation in the community.

For the Spring and Summer 2024 outreach season, the focus of the Disaster Sanitation presentations will be on emergency toileting. After a major earthquake, the public will need to know how to live without running water and working toilets for days, weeks, or possibly months. It is important that the community learns how to do this safely. Serious and possibly fatal diseases spread when human feces waste is not handled and disposed of properly.

The primary tasks for this position include:

- 1- Learn the content of the emergency toileting presentations as well as how to utilize presentation materials to engage the community. The MRC Unit Coordinators will coordinate virtual and/or in-person train the trainer opportunities to support this effort.
- 2- Communicate with the MRC Unit Coordinator(s) and utilize Better Impact to sign up for outreach shifts at a variety of community events.

3- Actively engage with community members throughout the outreach shift, sharing accurate public health information and answering questions.

4- Fill out a brief report form post outreach event.

5- Participate in set-up and take-down of outreach stations at the events. This may require you to pick up presentation materials and equipment before your shift as well as drop them off after your shift. If you have concerns about lifting up to 20 pounds, please let the MRC Unit Coordinator(s) know.

Preferred Skills and Experience

The primary skills and experience that will ensure success in this role are:

- An ability to communicate information in an engaging manner to the public
- A working knowledge of emergency toileting and other emergency preparedness practices
- Fluency in another language besides English (preferably Spanish, Russian, Ukrainian, Korean, Vietnamese, Chinese, or Somali- as these are the most common languages in Clackamas and Washington Counties)
- A strong commitment to equity and experience collaborating with community members from marginalized populations

Selection Process

- [Complete the interest form here.](#)
- The application evaluation committee will consist of the Clackamas County MRC Unit Coordinator and the Washington County MRC Unit Coordinator. The Regional Medical Reserve Corps Program Specialist or another Regional Public Health Preparedness & Response Program employee may also participate in the evaluation.

Additional Information

- Volunteers selected for this role will be expected to commit to the Spring and Summer 2024 outreach season. Typically outreach events occur on weekends, but some may also be scheduled throughout the week. Volunteers will be able to choose the shifts that work best for their schedule. The option to recommit for future outreach seasons is available, with approval from the MRC Unit Coordinator(s).
- Throughout the service opportunity, the MRC Unit Coordinator(s) will check in with volunteers to discuss their satisfaction with the role and, should the need arise, engage

in problem-solving, conflict resolution, and/or performance expectation discussions. The Regional Medical Reserve Corps Program Specialist or another Regional Public Health Preparedness & Response Program employee may also support these communication efforts.

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