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COVID-19 RESPONSE VOLUNTEER IMPACT



90+ New Volunteers



1339.25 Hours Served



Over \$50,000 in **Economic Impact**

More than 500 MRC units in 48 states, have been engaged in COVID-19 response activities. MRC volunteers are supporting a myriad of response roles and tasks depending on local community need.

Our unit alone has contributed over 1280 hours to better serve our community assisting the Covid-19 vaccination response this past quarter alone! Our volunteers have assisted at our mass vaccination site, call center operations, and logistic support. IMPRESSIVE!

INCIDENT COMMAND SYSTEM VOLUNTEER CHALLENGE - WINNER CHOSEN!

In the last newsletter we announced a friendly volunteer challenge! For each ICS training you completed, your name was entered into a drawing for a prize. We had many complete the training's, but only one winner could be chosen, and we are happy to announce....



The Winner is:

Jessica Heidorn

Congratulations Jessica! You have won an Emergency Go Bag! Filled with helpful goodies for your safety and preparedness needs!





Be on the lookout for an email on how to claim your prize!

FREE CPR TRAINING - COMING SOON!

The St. Clair County Medical Reserve Corps will be offering FREE CPR classes to active MRC members.

Interested? Please Use the link **HERE** to complete our Interest Form



COVID vaccinations for kids

Pfizer Vaccine Now Available for Individuals Ages 12 and Older



The U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) and the U.S. Centers for Disease Control (CDC) have recently expanded the emergency use authorization (EUA) for the COVID-19 Pfizer vaccine to adolescents ages 12 – 15. This means the FDA and the CDC determined that clinical trials show this vaccine is safe and effective for kids in this age range.

Once thorough testing has demonstrated that the vaccines are safe and effective for kids under 12, COVID-19 vaccines may also be authorized by the FDA for administration to younger children. This may take time to happen. First, the FDA and the CDC must determine that testing results show the vaccines are safe and effective in younger children. Some of the vaccine manufacturers have already begun recruiting for clinical trials and testing children under 12. The manufacturers will evaluate safety and efficacy in younger age groups, and data from those studies will direct experts' recommendations on COVID-19 vaccine use in younger children.

Please check for updates in your area on how to schedule an appointment.

Information in this article can be found on: https://www.hopkinsmedicine.org/health/conditions-and-diseases/coronavirus/covid19-vaccine-what-parents-need-to-know

ACTIVE VOLUNTEER ID BADGE

If you have not yet done so, please email a photo to be included on your MRC ID Card. You do not need to have a special photo taken, even a quick picture taken on your cell phone will work. This card will be used to identify you as an emergency worker and should help you if or when you are responding during an incident or serving in the community in a non emergency public health event.





CALL DOWN DRILLS/IL Helps

Call drills are important as it mimics what it would look like if volunteers needed to be activated in an emergency. Even if you cannot answer right away, feel free to call or email back later. The next call drill will be through IL HELPS (you may receive a text message and/or an email if you provided that information on IL HELPS. Please register there if you haven't yet. (https://illinoishelps.net/). If you have any questions on how to do so, please contact me, I will be happy to assist! If you know anyone wanting to volunteer, please refer them to me or IllinoisHelps.net.



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CHECK IT OUT!

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

MRC HOME
MRC TRAIN
IL HELPS





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TRAINING OPPORTUNITY



Overview

programs.

In preparation for wildfire season, International Medical Corps will be conducting two training sessions on Medical Needs Sheltering. This training was developed to help medical and non-medical responders understand the myriad of shelter environments they may be asked to support or deploy to, and how these environments differ from traditional medical surge sites such as healthcare facilities and mobile field hospitals.

This course is not intended to be a clinical skills training but is meant to provide "general information" for facilities, agencies, and volunteers to set expectations and help volunteers plan ahead for their deployment to a shelter.

Training details

Date and time

Part I: July 14, 2021 from 1:00-2:30pm PST Part II: July 16, 2021 from 1:00-2:30pm PST

Registration

Please register for the virtual course hosted on Zoom here by Tuesday, July 13th. Training is open to all who may benefit from the course.

Certificate

Participants who attend both sessions will receive a certificate of training completion from International Medical Corps.

For more information, contact:

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REGISTER HERE

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If you participate in this training opportunity, please send an email to:

once complete to receive credit













Purpose is the place where your deep gladness meets the world's needs. -Frederick Buechner



Volunteers don't get paid, not because they are worthless, but becasue they are priceless!

