## LOCAL MRC PARTNERS

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Alexander County EMA

Michael Turner (618) 306-3282

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Mitchell Conkle (618) 285-3621

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Pope County EMA

Chris Hahn (618) 683-5541

Pulaski County EMA

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(Alexander/Union) David Meier (573) 335-9471

Massac County EMA

Brian Horn (618) 309-3993

**Union County EMA** 

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Hardin County General Hospital

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Massac Memorial Hospital

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**Union County Hospital** 

618) 833-4511



### Southern 7 MRC

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For more information, please visit the MRC website:

ASPR.HHS.GOV/MRC

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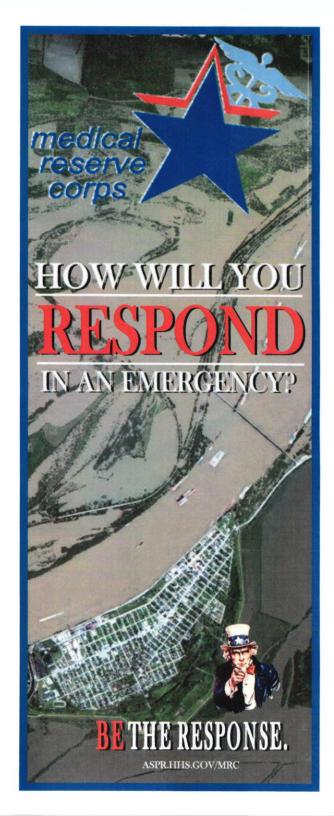
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Southern Seven Health Department





# WHAT IS THE MRC?

The MRC is a group of locally organized healthcare and non-healthcare volunteers working to strengthen the health and safety of the community.

The goal of the Medical Reserve Corps is to identify, credential, train and prepare volunteers BEFORE a natural disaster or a national incident.

The MRC believes that prepared communities lead to prepared states, which create a prepared nation.

### CAN YOU BE AN MRC VOLUNTER?

YES! Everyone is welcome to join, regardless of profession. Individuals with medical training and non medical volunteers are needed. Examples of MRC volunteers are:

Physicians | Nurses | Security | Behavioral Health Specialist | Pharmacists | EMTs | Interpreters Clerks | Food Service | Public Health | Clergy | Construction | Veterinarians | Transportation



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### WANT TO JOIN?

Interested in volunteering your time with the MRC? Here are the next steps:

- Go to https://southern7.org/medical-reserve-corps -southern-seven-health-department/ and fill out the Southern 7 County MRC application to apply. Your information will be submitted to the MRC Coordinator, who will contact you.
- Or call your local MRC Coordinator on the back of this brochure for a mailed copy of the application.

### VOLUNTEER TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE

# SOUTHERN ILLINOISANS BUILDING STRONG, HEALTHY, AND PREPARED SOUTHERN IL COMMUNITIES.

### WHAT YOU CAN EXPECT

As an MRC Volunteer...

- Active volunteers are asked to complete some initial training.
- There is no set time commitment to be an MRC volunteer. Volunteers serve at their level of interest, time and training.
- Healthcare professionals will have credentials verified by the Illinois Emergency System called Illinois HELPS, for Advance Registration of Volunteer Health Professionals (ESARVHP).

Emergency responders in all forms of disasters such as *Hurricane Katrina*, to the *Harrisburg "Leap Day" Tornado* have difficulty effectively using volunteers due to an inability to verify identities and basic licensing or credentialing information, including training, skills, competencies and employment. When you register as an MRC member, you become a known and **identified professional resource**. Medical professionals' credentials will be verified prior to an emergency for efficient mobilization.

As an MRC volunteer, you'll resolve, beforehand, all usual concerns about liability, licensing, security and safety. You will have the satisfaction of being a part of your community's preparedness.

BE THE RESPONSE.

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