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- 1. Visit maresponds.org
- 2. Click on "Register Now"
- 3. Complete application

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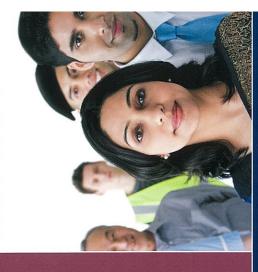
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during a public health emergency. Become a volunteer

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MA RESPONDS

a partnership between the Massachusetts you to volunteer for a variety of public volunteer organizations in Massachusetts Medical Reserve Corps units, and other system for health volunteers. This system is health events. Registering with MA Responds will allow Department of Public Health (DPH), local MA Responds is an online registration

locally, regionally, or across the state by: Volunteers may be needed to respond

- **ASSISTING** neighbors during natural disasters such as floods, ice storms, or hurricanes
- **IMPROVING** community health by working to educate, prevent, and
- are strained by an event like a flu or SUPPORTING public health by helping other outbreak in vaccination clinics when resources

MA RESPONDS VOLUNTEERS ARE

- Health care professionals such as veterinarians, and EMTs nurses, doctors, pharmacists, dentists,
- backgrounds Non-health professionals from all
- social workers, interpreters, and professionals, including counselors Behavioral health and social service

other volunteers are needed to join this Active professionals, students, retirees, and you want to volunteer. free of charge. Choose when and where All volunteers will receive valuable training network of people who are trained and ready to assist officials in an emergency.





WAYS TO VOLUNTEER

signing up as a volunteer. There are four options to choose from when

- MRC units function as part of local emergen-1. Join the Medical Reserve Corps (MRC)
- at the core of the MRC concept their communities through volunteerism are and non-medical individuals to strengthen suit the unique characteristics of its area. emergencies. Each MRC is organized to best small and large public health events and collaborative, local effort that is prepared for cy management services. The result is a existing resources such as the Red Cross and cy preparedness teams. They supplement Recruiting, training, and organizing medical local public health, fire, police, and emergen-
- of a statewide public health emergency but who are interested in helping out in the event are not members of a local MRC unit. Volunteers include neighbors and citizens Become a state-unaffiliated volunteer.
- Become a Disaster Behavioral Health Responder, a part of the MassSupport Network.
- Become a SMART volunteer working as Response Team (SMART). part of the State of Massachusetts Animal

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