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The National Association of County and City Health Officials Announces Over \$1 Million in Medical Reserve Corps Operational Readiness Awards

— Funding awarded in Alabama, Arizona, Arkansas, California, Colorado, Connecticut, Florida, Georgia, Idaho, Illinois, Indiana, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New Mexico, New York, North Carolina, North Dakota, Ohio, Oklahoma, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Utah, Vermont, Virginia, Washington, West Virginia, and Wisconsin —

Washington, DC, February 11, 2020 — The National Association of County and City Health Officials (NACCHO), the voice of the country's nearly 3,000 local health departments is pleased to announce the 2019 Medical Reserve Corps (MRC) Operational Readiness Awards (ORA). The Medical Reserve Corps (MRC) is a national network of volunteers, organized locally to improve the health and safety of their communities. The MRC network comprises approximately 180,000 volunteers in roughly 860 community-based units located throughout the United States and its territories. These awards, made possible through a cooperative agreement with the Office of the Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response, Medical Reserve Corps Program Office, will help support over 200 MRC units to increase their volunteer capacity (Tier 1) or strengthen the unit's response capabilities as a whole (Tier 2).

• Tier 1 Awards: \$2,500 – Strengthen MRC Volunteer Capabilities: MRC units that want to focus their efforts on strengthening the volunteer capabilities of their MRC unit. Project goals may include but are not limited to building MRC unit size through targeted recruitment campaigns, increasing the number of volunteers trained in the MRC core competencies, and identifying and procuring resources to meet the MRC unit's mission.

• Tier 2 Awards: \$7,500 – Strengthen MRC Unit Response Capabilities: MRC units that are positioned to further develop their volunteer capabilities, as well as strengthen or build their unit response capabilities. Project goals may include strengthening targeted volunteer capabilities, building or sustaining specific unit response capabilities, and identifying and procuring resources to meet and/or expand the emergency and preparedness response capabilities of the MRC unit.

2020 MRC Operational Readiness Awards (ORA) by State

Tier I Award (\$2500)

- Arkansas North Little Rock High School Medpro MRC, Marion County MRC, River City Ministry of Pulaski County MRC
- Arizona Mohave County MRC
- California Ventura County MRC, Healthcare Em Aux Response MRC, Berkeley County MRC
- **Colorado -** MRC of El Paso
- Connecticut Middletown MRC
- **Florida -** Florida Keys MRC
- **Georgia -** DeKalb County MRC, Southwest Georgia MRC
- Idaho Southwest Idaho MRC
- Illinois Douglas County MRC, McLean County MRC, Macoupin MRC, Woodford County MRC, Skokie MRC, Marshall County MRC, Crawford County MRC, Hancock County MRC, Schuyler County MRC, Clay County MRC, Cumberland MRC
- Indiana Hendricks County MRC
- **Kentucky** Pike County MRC
- Louisiana New Orleans MRC
- Maine Downeast Maine MRC
- Maryland Maryland Response Howard County MRC
- Massachusetts Franklin County MRC, Newton MRC, Metro East MRC, Town of Monson MRC, Hampshire county MRC
- Missouri Bollinger County MRC, Howard County MRC
- Nebraska RROMRS MRC
- New Hampshire Greater Nashua MRC
- New Jersey Atlantic County Public Health MRC, Camden County MRC
- New York Livingston County MRC, Schenectady County MRC, Saratoga MRC
- North Carolina North Carolina Baptist Men MRC Central Region
- Ohio Montgomery County MRC, Paulding County MRC, Pike County MRC, Huron County MRC, Mahoning/Columbiana MRC, Brown County MRC, Trumbull MRC, Van Wert County MRC, Mercer County MRC, Fayette County MRC, Pickaway County MRC
- Oklahoma Grady County MRC, Carter County MRC, Oklahoma Stress Response Team, Leflore MRC, Oklahoma Region 3 - Kiowa & Caddo MRC, McClain County MRC, Garvin County MRC, Garfield Area MRC
- **Oregon** Linn County MRC, Eastern Oregon Regional MRC

- **South Carolina -** Upstate Public Health Reserve Corps
- **Tennessee** East Tennessee Regional MRC, Upper Cumberland Tennessee Regional MRC
- **Texas** Brown County MRC
- **Utah** Bear River Cache County MRC, Central Utah MRC, Bear River Rich County MRC
- Vermont Southwestern Vermont, Southeastern Vermont, Rutland Addison MRC
- Virginia Near Southwest MRC, Richmond City MRC, Greater, Prince William County MRC, Norfolk MRC
- **Washington** Thurston County MRC, MRC of Eastern Washington
- West Virginia Pendleton County MRC, Mid Ohio Valley MRC

Tier 2 ORA - \$7500

- Alabama North Alabama MRC
- **Arkansas -** White County MRC
- **Arizona -** Maricopa County MRC
- California Sacramento MRC, Marin MRC, Lake County MRC, California Veterinary MRC, Contra Costa County MRC, Alameda County (ALCO) MRC
- Colorado Pueblo MRC, Colorado Veterinary MRC West, Colorado Radiation Response MRC
- **Connecticut** Capitol Region CT MRC, Stratford-Trumbull-Monroe MRC, Torrington Area Health District MRC, Pomperaug Health District MRC, Naugatuck Valley MRC
- Florida Southwest Florida MRC, Miami-Dade County MRC
- **Georgia -** MRC of West Georgia, East Metro Health District GEM MRC
- Illinois Kane County MRC, Adams County MRC, Bureau-Putnam MRC, Rock Island County MRC, Cook County MRC, McDonough County MRC, Effingham County MRC
- Kansas Kansas State Animal Response Team MRC
- **Kentucky** River Run Regional MRC
- Louisiana Louisiana State Animal Response Team (LSART) Veterinary MRC
- Massachusetts Berkshire MRC, Upper Merrimack Valley MRC, Brookline MRC, Topsfield MRC, Norfolk County 8 Coalition MRC, Middleborough Area MRC
- Maryland Maryland Responds State MRC, Middleborough Area MRC
- Michigan Washtenaw County MRC, Livingston MRC
- **Minnesota** University of Minnesota MRC, Minnesota Veterinary MRC, Hennepin County MRC, Minnesota Behavioral Health MRC
- Missouri NEMO MRC, Cape Girardeau County MRC, Macon County Community MRC
- Nebraska Eastern Nebraska/Western Iowa MRC, Central Nebraska MRC, West Central Nebraska MRC
- New Hampshire Northern New Hampshire MRC, Upper Valley MRC
- New Jersey Somerset County, Middlesex County, Newark DOH, Mercer County
- New Mexico New Mexico Integrative Wellness MRC
- **New York** Dutchess County MRC, Erie County SMART, Niagara County MRC, Monroe County MRC, Rensselaer County MRC, Orange County MRC, Orleans VALOR MRC
- North Carolina Capital MRC
- Ohio Greene County MRC, Preble County MRC, Williams County Ohio MRC, Medina County MRC, Wood County MRC, Clark County MRC, Franklin County & Columbus MRC
- Oklahoma Tulsa OK Region 7 MRC, Kiowa County MRC, Oklahoma Nurses MRC, Norman Citizens Corps Cleveland MRC, Oklahoma County MRC, Southwest, Oklahoma MRC, HOOPS MRC
- Oregon Coos County MRC, Wasco County MRC

- Pennsylvania Philadelphia MRC
- Rhode Island Rhode Island MRC
- **South Carolina -** South Carolina Veterinary Response MRC
- **Tennessee -** Northeast Regional MRC, Shelby County MRC
- **Texas** Harris County MRC, Dallas County MRC, Tarrant County MRC, Galveston MRC, Brazoria County MRC, Fort Bend County MRC, Cameron County, Montgomery County MRC
- **Utah** Utah County MRC, Weber County MRC, Bear River Box Elder County MRC, Southwest Utah MRC, Wasatch County MRC, Salt Lake City MRC, Morgan County MRC
- Virginia Southwest Virginia MRC, Rappahannock-Rapidan MRC, Rappahannock Area MRC, Fairfax County MRC, Chesapeake MRC, Eastern Shore MRC, Peninsula MRC, Central Shenandoah MRC
- Washington Snohomish County MRC, Pierce County MRC, Island County MRC, PHRC Seattle King County MRC, Bainbridge Island MRC
- West Virginia Mountaineer MRC, Hampshire County MRC, Cabel Wayne MRC
- **Wisconsin -** Eau Claire County MRC

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