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Medina County Medical Reserve Corps Celebrates 19 Years

June 24, 2025. Medina, Ohio – The Medina County Health Department is proud to announce the 19th anniversary of the Medina County Medical Reserve Corps (MRC). The MRC is a national network of volunteers, both medical and non-medical, who help make our communities stronger and healthier during disasters and every day.

The MRC was created over 20 years ago after the attacks of September 11th, when thousands of volunteers, many of them healthcare workers, offered their services to support response and recovery efforts. Formed in 2006, the Medina County MRC had about 45 volunteers. Today, Medina's MRC has grown to over 550 volunteers. Volunteers are from all walks of life and assist in many ways including during emergencies as well as other events such as health fairs and preparedness activities.

MRC volunteers are a valuable asset during all types of incidents and we are always looking to build our volunteer base. Both medical and non-medical volunteers are needed to help improve the health and safety of our communities. You don't need a medical background or any special skills to be a part of the MRC, just a willingness to help in a time of need. MRC plays a critical role in helping to keep our emergency response system running smoothly and also supporting first responders during an incident. Remember, emergencies and disasters come without warning. When emergencies happen, we want our communities to be prepared and have a team of volunteers ready to assist.

For more information on the MRC and other programs and services offered by the Medina County Health Department, call 330-723-9688 or visit our web page at <u>medinahealth.org</u>.

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