THE CALL

March, 2020 Newsletter

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As always, we are grateful for your willingness to serve during times of disasters.

Answer the Call!

The Show-Me Response Call-Down Drill will be held in April

In this issue you'll find information regarding the annual test of the Show-Me Response platform coming up in April. **The exercise will be held the week of April 13th.** By giving you only the approximate date of the exercise, this drill qualifies as a "partial-notice" drill, and is closer to the reality of contacting all of you following a disaster.

For context and background regarding how we exercise the volunteer network capabilities of Show-Me Response, in April 2018, we contacted nearly 8,000 volunteers and received a response rate of 27% indicating either a positive or probable ability and willingness to participate in response activities for that exercise scenario.

In May 2019, we contacted approximately 7,650 volunteers, with 2,051 members participating in the exercise. For the 2019 exercise, we focused on the diversity of occupation types participating:

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		Participated in	
Occupation	# Registered	Drill	%
Accountant	29	8	28%
Administrative Assistant	156	21	13%
Advanced Practice Nurse	260	32	12%
Chaplain, Clergy, Ministers	179	14	8%
Dentist, Denal Specialist, Den-			
tal Hygienist	56	11	20%
Emergency Manager	37	7	19%
EMT-Basic	548	106	19%
EMT-Paramedic	310	72	23%
Licensed Practical Nurse	567	90	16%
Pharmacist	260	71	27%
Pharmacy Intern	141	16	11%
Pharmacy Technician	32	5	16%
Physical Therapist, P/T Assit	36	6	17%
Physician	403	104	26%
Physician Assistant	38	7	18%
POD Volunteer	2030	158	8%
Beh Hlth (couneslors, SWs,			
Psych, etc)	282	61	22%
Public Health Administrator	57	23	40%
Public Information Officer	5	1	20%
Registered Nurse	3856	757	20%
Respiratory Care Practitioner	149	31	21%
Security Guard	38	2	5%
Veterinarian, Vet Assistant,			
Vet Tech	179	54	30%
Youth Volunteer	80	1	1%
Other (Appendix C = list of			
occupations in Show Me Re-			
sponse)	1056	387	37%
TOTAL:	10784	2045	19%

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The 2020 Show-Me Response communication exercise will be framed around the State of the Missouri and FEMA Region VII New Madrid Seismic Zone Evacuation and Mass Care planning efforts. Comprehensive planning is currently underway to address and support the needs of survivors both inside and outside the impact area following a New Madrid Seismic Zone earthquake. Your participation during this year's exercise will inform the development of the concept of operations for evacuation and mass care.

We look forward to another valuable exercise in April — and we look forward to your participation.

Details on the 2020 Communication Exercise

When notifications of the exercise are sent, you will be asked to respond with your willingness and ability to volunteer your services in one of 3 ways — each of which incorporates a function and a geographic component. Below is the **general concept of mass care planning for evacuations** and the 3 types of volunteer needs that will be requested during the exercise. Real event requests may likely vary from this exercise, depending on the impacts of the earthquake. **Please remember – you may have a local commitment to participate in emergency activities around this scenario that might take priority over our request – for example if you work in a healthcare setting along the eastern border of Missouri, or you volunteer with a health department in eastern Missouri. Answer the request in this exercise as realistically as possible.**

- Evacuation Assembly Sites (EAS) / Consolidated Assistance Sites (CAS)
 - WHERE: Eastern border of Missouri from Bootheel to St. Charles
 - Providing immediate first aid / triage
- Emergency Respite Sites (ERS)
 - WHERE: Mid-Missouri, Central, Northern, and Southern locations
 - Providing health screening / immediate first aid /counseling / meeting general needs
- Evacuee Reception Centers (ERC) and Over-night Shelters
 - WHERE: Northwest and Southwest Missouri
 - Providing tracking of evacuees, reunification, over-night sheltering, medical support







The **Missouri Disaster Chaplaincy Program** is one of the latest new organizations to utilize the Show-Me Response platform for volunteer management.

Their mission is to coordinate and support the identification, deployment, transportation and demobilization of chaplain resources utilized during large scale events and expanding incidents when additional resources are needed.

Who are Missouri Disaster Chaplains? These Chaplains are trained volunteers that stand ready to care for the ill, injured, and bereaved during disasters, and to assist those afflicted during their recovery. At the time of a disaster when chaplaincy needs are requested, Chaplains are contacted to roster and deploy for that event.

If you or someone you know is interested in joining this program, applications are sought from Chaplains committed to honoring all faiths and cultures.

Application requirements include but are not limited to:

- Completion of NIMS training
- Certification from organization and/or denomination
- Pastoral Education
- Healthcare, law enforcement or fire fighter chaplaincy certification and verification
- Fingerprint background check
- A letter of recommendation

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Show-Me Response is pleased to support this extremely valuable volunteer resource!





And speaking of spring.... We urge you to take a minute for a bit of spring cleaning — on your profile page within Show-Me Response. Please make sure your contact information is current, including your employment status and employment contact numbers so that we can verify clinical experience.



SPRINGFIELD, MISSOURI PRE-CONFERENCE JULY 13 -15, 2020 CONFERENCE JULY 15 - 18, 2020

2020nationalCERTconference.com

The Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) program educates volunteers about disaster preparedness for the hazards that may impact their area and trains them in basic disaster response skills, such as fire safety, light search and rescue, team organization, and disaster medical operations. CERT offers a consistent, nationwide approach to volunteer training and organization that professional responders can rely on during disaster situations, which allows them to focus on more complex tasks. This national conference promises to be very informative – Join us!

Mark your calendars, and come join this exciting national conference—proudly sponsored in 2020 by Missouri CERT!



Keeping up with the **Coronavirus....**

Missouri on-going situational awareness on the Coronavirus can be obtained through the following Missouri Department of Health website:

https://health.mo.gov/living/healthcondiseases/ communicable/novel-coronavirus/

CDC Guidance on community spread of virus:

https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/ index.html?CDC_AA_refVal=https%3A%2F% 2Fwww.cdc.gov%2Fcoronavirus%2F2019-ncov% 2Fpreparing-individuals-communities.html

Also—keep an eye on the big picture through this link, brought to you by the Missouri GIS team — real-time information updated continuously:

https://mophep.maps.arcgis.com/apps/opsdashboard/ index.html#/1fd32012487c4e5c936a13389f9731c3

SAMPLE OF MAPPING AVAILABLE AT ABOVE LINK as of 3.5.20:



Show-Me Response stands ready to assist you with volunteer management and training. Please contact Tina Brown or Pat Curtis with your suggestions and/or requests.

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