



Putnam County's Medical Reserve Corps Honored by Legislature

On September 3, 2024 at the beginning of **National Emergency Preparedness Month**, the Putnam County Legislature recognized the county's Medical Reserve Corps volunteers as the organization celebrated its 20th anniversary. For two decades, the volunteers of the MRC, as it is commonly known, have served the county's residents. Members, who come from all walks of life and careers, have shown a willingness and dedication to support the health department through a myriad of challenges, both large and small.



From left to right are Michael J. Nesheiwat, MD, interim commissioner of health for Putnam County; County Legislator Amy Sayegh, District 8, who chairs the Health Committee, and who presented the proclamation. Accepting the honor were, Connie Bueti, emergency preparedness coordinator at the health department; Carla Taylor, MRC program assistant; and Sue Moore, longtime MRC volunteer.



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Husband and wife Medical Reserve Corps volunteers, Jose and Maria Rivera, posed with health department staffers Connie Bueti, emergency preparedness coordinator and, Carla Taylor, Medical Reserve Corps program assistant on the historic Putnam County Courthouse steps following the proclamation ceremony on September 3rd.



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2024 Flu Clinics

This year the Putnam County Department of Health conducted flu clinics which began on September 20, 2024, and will continue until November 13, 2024. MRC volunteers have been instrumental in the success of these clinics so far. Medical volunteers assisted with preparation and administration of vaccines, while non-medical volunteers were vital in logistics, traffic flow and paperwork. Thank you to all the volunteers who have assisted so far your commitment to the public health in Putnam County is appreciated.



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MRC Community Activities

MRC volunteers contributed their time and efforts to recent community activities and organizations:

Congressman Mike Lawler Senior Fair

Congressman Mike Lawler hosted a Senior Fair for Putnam and Dutchess County Seniors on August 28, 2024. MRC volunteers were present to distribute emergency preparedness information and assist seniors with completing the Community Health Survey.

Community Health Survey

Wednesday, August 28th MRC volunteer Giselle Climaco, using her Spanish language skills assisted with "back-pack giveaways" and Community Health survey distribution at the Putnam Community Action Partnership in Brewster.

Out of the Darkness Walk

MRC volunteer John Ohnmacht assisted with the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention (AFSP) Out of the Darkness Walk on September 15th, where approximately 100 participants walked almost 4 miles from the Social Services building at 110 Old Route Six in Carmel to the Carmel Courthouse and back to raise awareness about suicide prevention.



DID YOU KNOW?



1 in 8 women in the US will develop breast cancer in her lifetime



313,510 estimated new cases will be diagnose in men and women in 2024



There are over 3.8 million breast cancer survivors in the US

For more information & local supports visit:

<https://www.nationalbreastcancer.org/> & <https://miles of hope.org/>