



WELCOME TO OUR MEDICAL RESERVE CORPS ORIENTATION

PRESENTED BY:
HEATHER MAKECHNIE
ASSISTANT PROGRAM
COORDINATOR



Homeland
Security





Homeland
Security

Citizen Corps Mission

**To have everyone in America participate
in making themselves, our
communities, and our nation safer**

**We all have a role in hometown security
a personal responsibility to be prepared;
to get training in first aid and emergency skills; and
to volunteer to support local emergency responders,
disaster relief, and community safety.**



Homeland
Security

The Need to be Ready

In 95% of all emergencies,
bystanders or victims themselves
are the first to provide
emergency assistance or
to perform a rescue



Homeland
Security

Los Angeles Fire Department

Citizen Corps Programs



Volunteers in Police Service (VIPS) works to enhance the capacity of state and local law enforcement to utilize volunteers



Neighborhood Watch/USAonWatch incorporates terrorism awareness education into its existing crime prevention mission



The **Community Emergency Response Team (CERT)** program educates and trains citizens in basic disaster response skills



The **Medical Reserve Corps (MRC) Program** helps medical, public health, and other volunteers offer their expertise



Fire Corps promotes the use of citizen advocates to provide support to fire and rescue departments



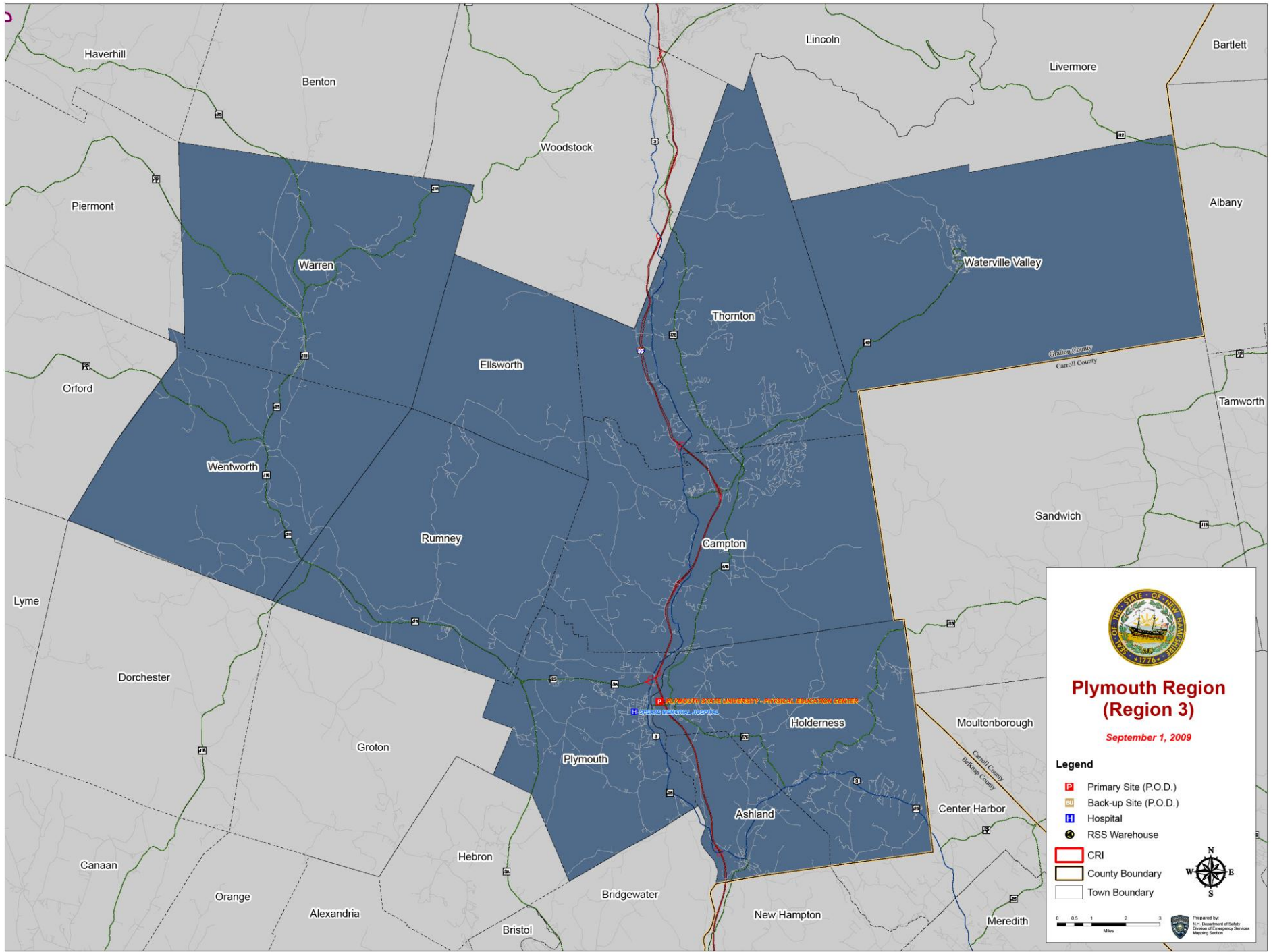
Homeland
Security

Strategic Vision for The Greater Plymouth and Franklin-Bristol Public Health Networks

- Both CERT/MRC Unit Directors have begun working together collaboratively to market, recruit, and train, volunteers to assist the local public safety and public health responders.
- Both Directors have signed an Memorandum of Understanding to begin the process of resource sharing and joint training.



Homeland
Security



Plymouth Region (Region 3)

September 1, 2009

Legend

- Primary Site (P.O.D.)
- Back-up Site (P.O.D.)
- Hospital
- RSS Warehouse
- CRI
- County Boundary
- Town Boundary



Prepared by:
N.H. Department of Safety
Division of Emergency Services
Mapping Section

Plymouth Public Health Region

Communities Served

- Plymouth
- Holderness
- Ashland
- Campton
- Ellsworth
- Lincoln
- Waterville
- Thornton
- Woodstock
- Warren
- Wentworth

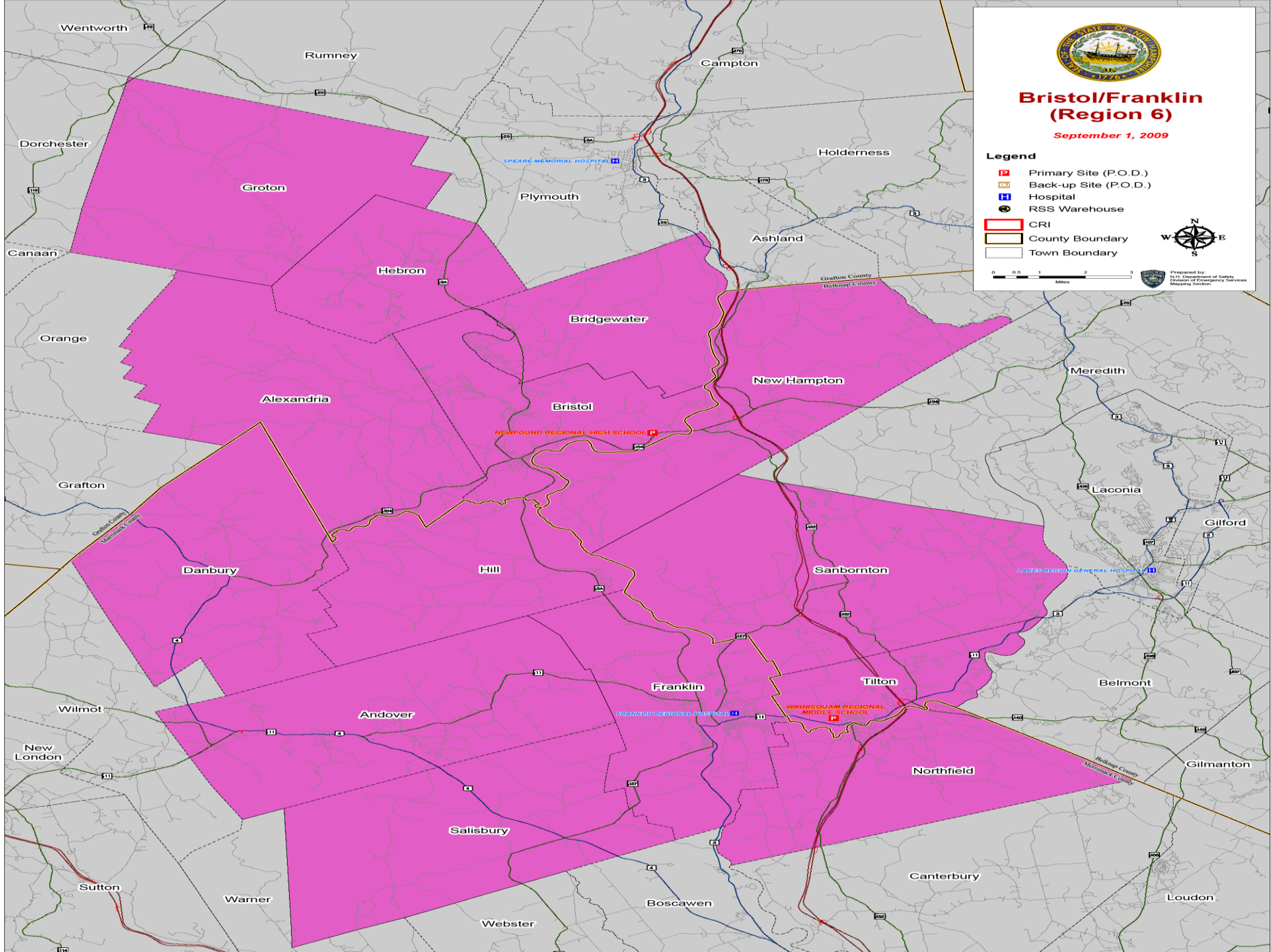
Total population
for the Greater
Plymouth Public
Health Network
Region is
approximately
23,000



Rumney
Homes
Security

Greater Plymouth Organizational Chart





Bristol/Franklin (Region 6)

September 1, 2009

Legend

- Primary Site (P.O.D.)
- Back-up Site (P.O.D.)
- Hospital
- RSS Warehouse
- CRI
- County Boundary
- Town Boundary



Prepared by:
NH Department of Safety
Division of Emergency Services
Mapping Section

Map labels include towns: Wentworth, Rumney, Campton, Holderness, Dorchester, Groton, Plymouth, Ashland, Canaan, Hebron, Bridgewater, New Hampton, Orange, Alexandria, Bristol, Hill, Sanbornton, Grafton, Danbury, Franklin, Tilton, Meredith, Laconia, Gilford, Wilmot, Andover, Salisbury, Northfield, Belmont, New London, Warner, Webster, Boscawen, Canterbury, Loudon, and Sutton.

Landmarks include: SPEARS MEMORIAL HOSPITAL, NEWFOUND REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, MINNISCUM REGIONAL MIDDLE SCHOOL, and LAKEB REGION GENERAL HOSPITAL.

County boundaries: Grafton County, Belknap County, Merrimack County.

Greater Franklin-Bristol Public Health Region Communities Served

- Alexandria
- Andover
- Bridgewater
- Bristol
- Danbury
- Franklin
- Groton
- Hebron
- Hill
- New Hampton
- Northfield

Salisbury
Sanbornton
Tilton

TOTAL
POPULATION OF
THE GREATER
FRANKLIN-
BRISTOL ALL
HEALTH HAZARD
REGION IS 38,000



Homeland
Security

Greater Franklin-Bristol Organizational Chart



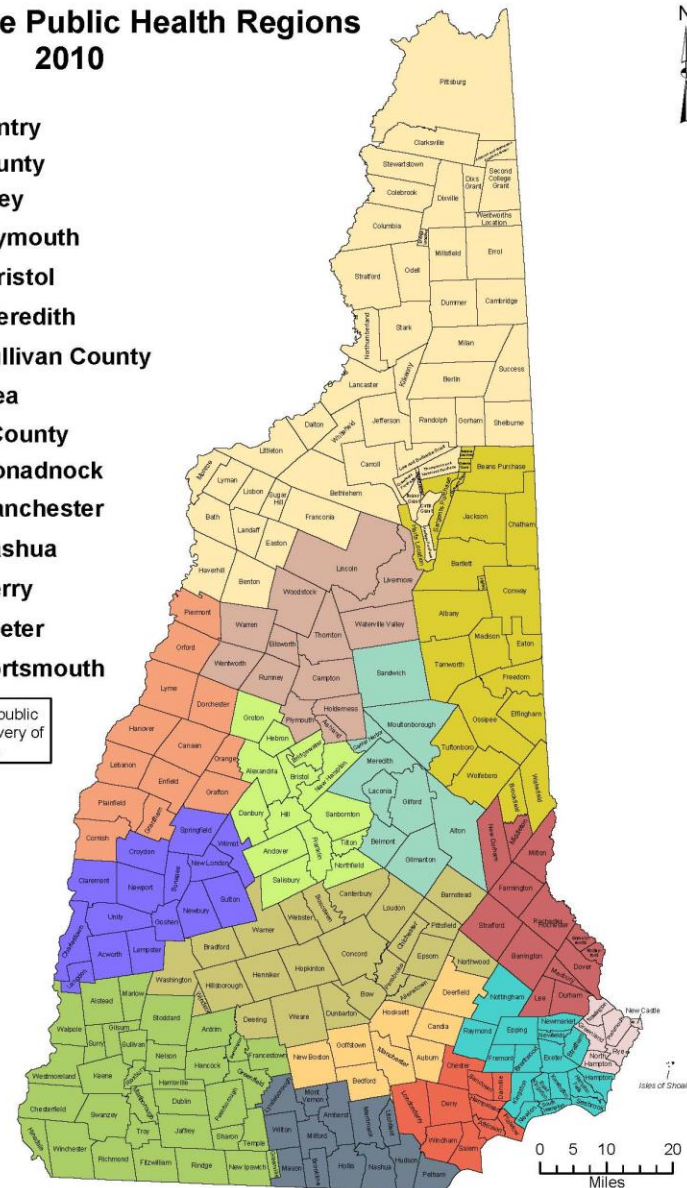
The Public Health Networks

- 15 regions
 - Build partnerships to prepare for and respond to all public health emergencies
 - Funded by
 - NH Dept of Health and Human Services
 - NH Homeland Security and Emergency Management

New Hampshire Public Health Regions
2010

- North Country
- Carroll County
- Upper Valley
- Greater Plymouth
- Franklin/Bristol
- Laconia/Meredith
- Greater Sullivan County
- Capital Area
- Strafford County
- Greater Monadnock
- Greater Manchester
- Greater Nashua
- Greater Derry
- Greater Exeter
- Greater Portsmouth

These regions are used for public health planning and the delivery of select public health services.



Homeland
Security

Citizen Corps Councils

Membership

- **First responder/emergency management**
(law, fire, EMS/EMT, public works)
- **Volunteer community**
- **Elected officials**
- **Business leaders**
- **School systems representatives**
- **Transportation sector**
- **Media executives**
- **Minority and special needs representation**
- **Leadership from community sub-structure**



Homeland
Security

Citizen Corps Councils

Responsibilities

- Build on community strengths to develop strategic plans for the whole community, including special needs groups
- Focus on public education, training, and volunteer opportunities for community and family safety
- Ensure citizens are connected to emergency alert systems
- Promote and oversee Citizen Corps programs
- Provide opportunities for special skills and interests
- Organize special projects/community events
- Capture smart practices and report accomplishments



Homeland
Security

Citizen Corps: Community Benefits

- **Greater sense of security, responsibility, and personal control**
- **Builds community pride, unity and patriotism**
- **Promotes risk reduction, mitigation, and preparedness practices**
- **Prepares us all for helping others in a crisis**



**Homeland
Security**

Citizen Corps: Benefits for Emergency Responders

- Year round support through volunteer programs
- Reduces burden on first responder services by promoting mitigation and preparedness measures
- Creates well trained, better informed, and better prepared citizens to take care of themselves and others during times of crisis -- allowing first responders to address the most critical needs



Homeland
Security

National Citizen Corps Council

Leaders of national organizations promote the Citizen Corps mission, foster collaboration, and support State, tribal, local levels.

Subcommittees:

- Emergency Management & Public Works
- Emergency Medical and Public Health Services
- Fire Service
- Law Enforcement
- Intergovernmental Organizations
- Volunteer Service
- Private Sector and Trade Associations
- Disabilities Advocacy Organizations



Homeland
Security

What YOU Can Do

- Be personally prepared.
- Learn about your school / workplace / community emergency response plans.
- Help form Citizen Corps Councils and start the programs in your community
- Partner with volunteer organizations, first responder and emergency management leadership, elected leadership, private sector and educational groups
- Help your neighbors and your community with public education, risk assessment, training, and volunteer participation
- Mentor others



Homeland
Security

Additional CERT Training Opportunities

- Shelter management
- Community relations
- Donations management
- Special needs concerns
- Debris removal
- Utilities control
- Advanced first aid
- Automated External Defibrillator use
- CPR Skills



Homeland
Security

Core Competencies

The scope of this course includes:

- Fire safety.
- Disaster medical operations.
- Light search and rescue.
- CERT organization.
- Disaster psychology.
- CERTs and terrorism.
- G-317 Emergency Management Institute



Homeland
Security

MEDICAL RESERVE CORPS

GREATER FRANKLIN-BRISTOL and GREATER PLYMOUTH UNITS



Homeland
Security



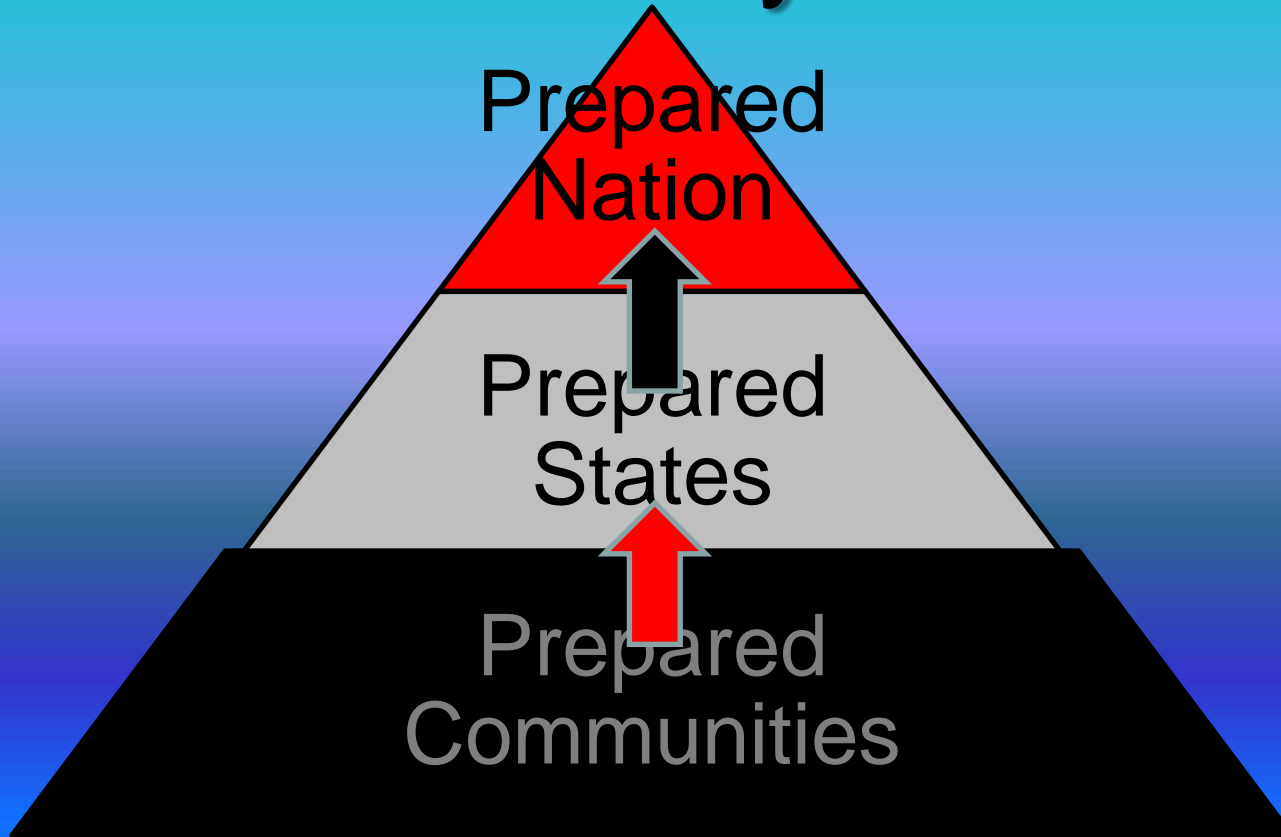
MRC History

- Created in September 2003
- Response to September 11, 2001
- President George W. Bush call for increased volunteerism
- Needed a system to incorporate “spontaneous volunteers”
- Liability issues dictate pre-credentialing



Homeland
Security

MRC Philosophy: Foster Community Resiliency



Homeland
Security

MRC Concept

- Establish groups of volunteers with an interest in strengthening the regional and local public health system in times of need.
- Integrate with existing programs and resources such as:
- The Public Health Regions, American Red Cross, Public Safety Agencies, State and Federal Agencies
- Identify, credential, train and prepare in advance of an activation



Homeland
Security

USA FREEDOM CORPS PROGRAMS CORPS



Who are MRC Volunteers?

- Retired and active medical and public health professionals
- Physicians, nurses, pharmacists, EMTs, dentists, veterinarians, epidemiologists and infectious disease specialists
- Non-medical support staff



Homeland
Security

Greater Franklin-Bristol Region/Greater Plymouth Pledge to our Volunteers

- Provide appropriate equipment, supplies, and ID Badge
- Will not share contact information
- Will strive to provide volunteers with opportunities to work within their own fields of expertise during an emergency event
- On-going, relevant and interesting training



Homeland
Security

MRC Unit Directors

Contact: For Greater Franklin-Bristol MRC Unit # 1565

James Richardson

Emergency Preparedness Coordinator

934-0177 X 135

jrichardson@ccntr.org

www.gfbcertmrc.com



Homeland
Security

MRC Unit Directors

Contact: For Greater Plymouth MRC Unit # 2159

Donna Quinn

Public Health Network Coordinator

536-1731

dquinn@midstatehealth.org

www.plymouthpublichealth.com



Homeland
Security

STATE MRC COORDINATOR

Curtis Metzger

Hospital Preparedness, ESAR-VHP, MRC
Coordinator

DHHS: Emergency Services Unit

129 Pleasant Street, 4th Floor

Concord, NH 03301

603-271-0840

Curtis.Metzger@dhhs.state.nh.us



Homeland
Security