

# Texas Medical Reserve Corps Stories:

## How MRCs are Serving Their Communities



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### Williamson County MRC Deploys to Historic Central Texas Floods

On the morning of July 4th, 2025, most Central Texans awoke ready to celebrate our nation's birth with friends and family. But in the overnight hours and into that morning, a devastating scenario was unfolding. The area known as "Flash Flood Alley" was living up to its name as creeks and rivers across the area swelled to incredible heights, causing unimaginable damage and significant loss of life. Communities began to quickly mobilize resources, but the response and long recovery ahead was just beginning.



Medical Reserve Corps volunteers meet with a survivor of the Sandy Creek flood.

The Williamson County Medical Reserve Corps was at the ready and was swiftly called into action. Their first assignment was to support state emergency management staff with initial damage assessments. MRC volunteers were provided just-in-time training and deployed to the heavily impacted Sandy Creek area of the County. As further needs arose, the Unit called upon mobile first aid teams to treat minor injuries and establish hydration stations in the sweltering summer heat. Additionally, the Response Emotional Support Team (REST) was deployed to provide mental health first aid to the citizens impacted. As the days rolled on, volunteers were also called upon to assist with donations management operations, as well as staff the Multi Agency Resource Center (MARC) for the County.

The Unit, housed within the Williamson County and Cities Health District, was able to support so many areas of the response due to an ongoing commitment to training, and of course the tireless dedication of their volunteers. They were well prepared to step in and support their fellow Texans and have become an invaluable resource to the County.

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