

## News Release

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### **Clark County Health District offers volunteer opportunities**

(Las Vegas, Nev., - March 19, 2003) – The Clark County Health District is currently recruiting volunteers to assist with various programs, including the Clark County Medical Reserve Corps, a sub-segment of the Citizen Corps of the USA Freedom Corps.

The Medical Reserve Corps units are community-based and comprised of health care professionals who desire to serve as volunteers in their communities during emergencies, as well as with ongoing public health needs.

“We have a commitment to ensure the overall public health of the community. Our ability to meet this commitment is aided through partnerships with other organizations and volunteers who wish to contribute their time, talent and skills to expand upon the programs we offer,” said Dr. Donald Kwalick, chief health officer for the health district.

“At a time when the role of public health has been brought to the forefront, and new challenges have stretched our resources thin, volunteers become even more vital to ensuring our ability to effectively serve the residents and visitors of Clark County,” said Kwalick.

Medical Reserve Corps volunteers can be active, inactive, or retired health professionals, students in the health professions and others. Persons who do not have health care experience may volunteer to provide basic support services.

Other health district programs currently seeking volunteers include:

- Immunizations and Well Baby Clinics – Volunteers in these clinics would assist customers with filling out forms and following the procedures for accessing these programs.
- Salud En Accion – This is a community based health promotion program that aims to increase breast and cervical cancer screening among underserved Hispanic women in

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Clark County. Volunteers must speak fluent Spanish and are responsible for distributing program information throughout the community.

Additional volunteers are needed to staff information desks and provide translation services at the Ravenholt Public Health Center on Shadow Lane.

For more details on volunteer opportunities at the Clark County Health District call 383-1246 or access the website at [www.cchd.org](http://www.cchd.org).

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