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[New Era for SERV-OR: Transition to the Veoci System](#) | [Alex Drungil](#)

Over the past few months, the [SERV-OR](#) program has been transitioning from its legacy system to the new hosted platform, Veoci. The Veoci system is a custom, self-contained, and interactive platform for managing volunteer readiness, communication, and deployment. As with any major change, we recognize there's a learning curve but with robust features and new tools designed with volunteers and administrators in mind, we're excited about what this means for the future of emergency response coordination in... [CLICK HERE TO READ COMPLETE ARTICLE.](#)

[Saying Goodbye, with Deep Gratitude](#) | [Sophie Flora-DeSart](#)

In a break from tradition, I'm writing to our newsletter audience today to share a personal announcement with the SERV-OR network. This month will be my last as Oregon's State Medical Reserve Corps (MRC) Coordinator and SERV-OR Volunteer Manager.

The beginning of this next chapter started in December, when I popped *the* question to my partner on a cross-country ski trek (spoiler: they said yes). In February, [CLICK HERE TO READ SOPHIE'S COMPLETE MESSAGE.](#)

OREGON PHOTOGRAPHY CALL-OUT

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Got a snapshot that shows off Oregon's beauty?

We're collecting scenic shots from across the state, and your photo could be featured in an upcoming issue.

Whether it's a misty mountain morning, a windswept coastal cliff, or your backyard in full bloom, we want to see it.

Send your best pic our way and let Oregon shine through your lens!

[The Passage of Senate Bill 837](#) | [Cayetana Gomez de Soler](#)

The Oregon Legislature has passed Senate Bill 837 ([SB 837](#)). The bill, which has been cleared by both, the House and the Senate is now awaiting Governor Kotek's signature, brings several key updates to the State Managed Volunteer Pool (SMVP). The bill is set to go into effect on January 1, 2026.

Most notably, SB 837 expands SMVP eligibility to include Administrative and Support (non-medical) volunteers. Starting next year, people who do not hold a state-issued healthcare credential will be able to register with the SMVP, broadening the pool... [CLICK HERE TO CONTINUE READING.](#)

[The Future of SERV-OR](#) | [Danielle Brown](#)

We know the news headlines about federal budgets and cuts to Health and Human Services (HHS) and Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) have been difficult to read. At the end of June, OHA received both the CDC Public Health Emergency Preparedness (PHEP) and the ASPR Hospital Preparedness Program (HPP) grants for Budget Period 2 (July 1, 2025-June 30, 2026). These funds support the majority of the Health Security, Preparedness and Response Program (HSRP) including the SERV-OR Volunteer Manager (Sophie's position). The federal government... [CLICK HERE TO CONTINUE READING.](#)



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Let me introduce myself. My name is Stuart. I am the AmeriCorps VISTA member supporting SERV-OR. In April, I began my second year serving in this role, a uniquely rewarding opportunity. One of my responsibilities is the coordination and production of this newsletter, the [SERV-OR Bulletin](#). To get this accomplished, I lead and facilitate the Bulletin Development Team (BDT), a group of inspiring, capable, and informed volunteers. We are all led by Sophie Flora-DeSart, the SERV-OR Volunteer Manager, who oversees the entire process.

The BDT is a small yet mighty group that meets virtually... [CLICK HERE TO READ MORE](#).

Medical Reserve Corps (MRC)



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Oregon MRC Coordinator Conference - April 2025

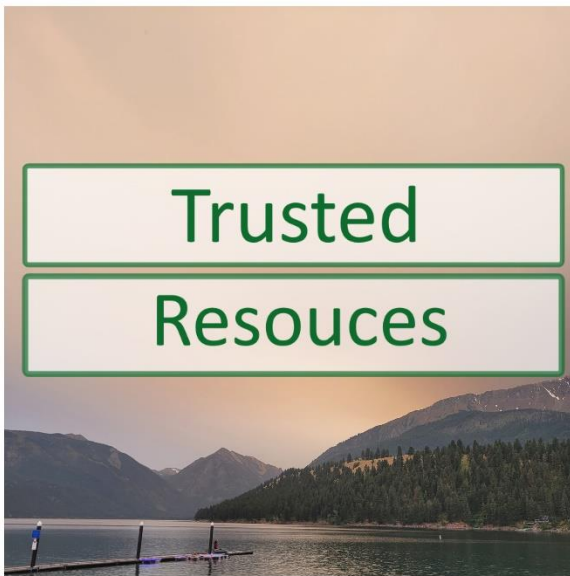


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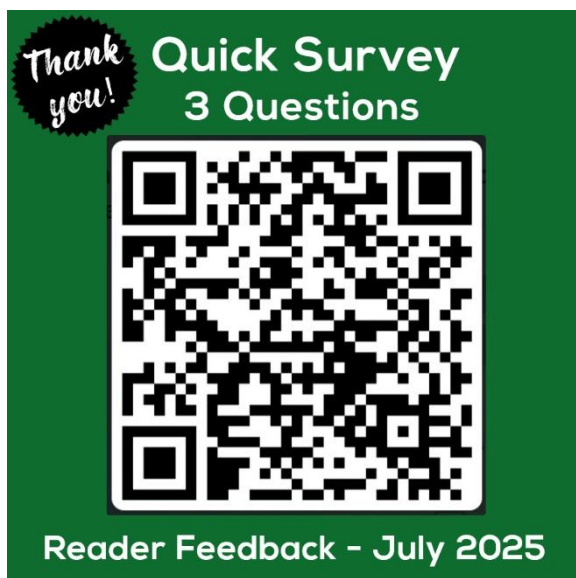
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16 years June 2025

Lincoln County MRC
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 - [Seasonal Climate Forecast](#) | July – September 2025 (ODA)
 - [YouTube: Seasonal Climate Forecast](#) | July – September 2025 (ODA)
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Thank you!

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The mission of the State Emergency Registry of Volunteers in Oregon (SERV-OR) and Oregon's Medical Reserve Corps (MRC) network is to ensure health and well-being, educate, and protect all people in Oregon.

We will accomplish this through recruiting, registering, training, exercising, and deploying licensed volunteer health professionals to support public health initiatives, health and medical needs during public health crises, and by improving access to preparedness education and resources for all individuals and communities.

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