**MRC of Eastern Washington**

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I love the organization. I love what we do in the community. So it's not that far-fetched for a

veterinarian to be involved in the Medical Reserve Corps. We organized our neighborhood and

developed a call tree. When the fires hit last year, luckily we had just done this two weeks

before the rail canyon fire came up on the ridge right behind me. We were ready to go to even

dig fire lines if we had to around our own community. I think the attitude is great in MRC. It's

that little pool of talent that really makes it worthwhile.

My name is Cindy Bickley, and I live in Deer Park, Washington. I serve overseas as a medical

volunteer and I really wanted to do something locally. Well, I wanted to give back to my

community because I was raised here. I would encourage anybody to volunteer because everybody

has something to give with their life experience. That's why I volunteer. Is to be able to see

those "Rest of the Stories" with Medical Reserve Corps.

I was looking for a way to practically be involved in the community. But I wanted to be there

and make a difference, and just doing the helping piece. Making it possible for the doctors and

nurses to do their work. Many times what people needed more than anything else was someone to

have the time to sit and listen, and that's where I think we find that the MRC of Eastern

Washington is particularly helpful. We get to go out and practically be there with people. We

make a difference one person at a time.

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