

Samaritan Health Services

Community Profile

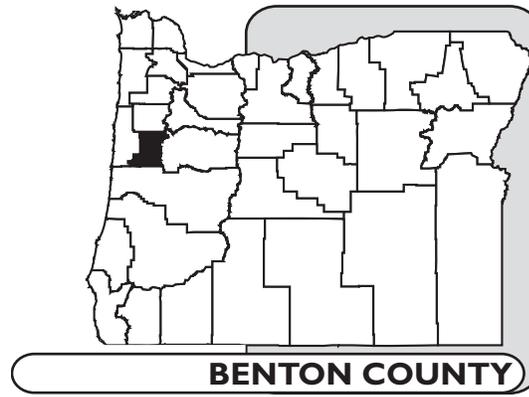
Population 85,300

Location Corvallis

Position Description

Sponsor Samaritan Health Services

Supervisor Ann Steeves,
Oregon HPP
Regional Coordinator



Assignment The RARE participant is working with Samaritan Health Services to improve the Hospital Preparedness Program and the Medical Reserve Corps Program. The two programs serve a six-county region including the Willamette Valley and areas along the Oregon Coast preparing for large scale manmade or natural disasters. The Hospital Preparedness Program supplies strategic and management support for the development of alternative care site plans that will provide disaster medicine outside of regular hospital facilities. The Medical Reserve Corps provides staff augmentation to hospitals, public health, nursing homes, clinics, EMS and other providers during an emergency or natural disaster.

The RARE participant is collaborating with hospital and clinic staff, EMS providers, public health workers, emergency management personnel, 911, and others to ensure that medical systems are developed with full capabilities and capacities to respond to any medical surge. There are a myriad of projects in the program that the participant is engaged such as EMS surge planning, behavioral health planning, training, exercises, and regional meetings.

RARE Participant



Mary Adams

Mary Adams graduated from the University of Oregon with a BS in Physical Geography. Throughout Mary's tenure as a student she participated in a number of community based programs, including the Environmental Leadership Program, the Community Planning Workshop and the Institute for a Sustainable Environment. Through each community based program, Mary gained valuable work experience that she will use as a RARE participant. Mary previously served as an AmeriCorps volunteer for the Oregon Pacific Chapter Red Cross, where she performed disaster relief for the United States Gulf Coast. Following completion of her Physical Geography BS, Mary interned at the Institute for a Sustainable Environment preparing a survey about wildfire perceptions in the Willamette Valley.