



# April Training & Event Bulletin

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## By the Numbers

(July 2018 to June 2019)

- 19 events in March, 176 to date
- 44.5 hours in March, 426.7 hours of service to date
- 385 attendees to events we participated in March, 13,916 to date.
- 312 Emergency Preparedness Guides in March, 11,101 to date.
- 171 volunteer participation in March, 1,477 to date.
- 471 hours of service in March, 3,725 to date.

## Save the Date!

Every Monday Night  
ARES Net at 7:30 pm

Blue Rocks Game  
May 4, 2019

Delco ARES Meeting  
May 6, 2019

Swarthmore Fun Fair  
May 19, 2019

Leadership & Training Lanes  
May 25, 2019

DelCART Meeting  
May 28, 2018

Citizen Corps Orientation -  
May 29, 2019

## Time to spring into ACTION!!! Go BLUE ARMY!!!

Hello April! This past weekend was very busy one for all of our volunteers. We spent most of Saturday inside training while it was beautiful outside. Then we spent three hours outside conducting emergency preparedness outreach on Sunday in the cold rain. Sounds terrible, but our volunteers are here to overcome great obstacles. And this is what you do everyday!!! 32 volunteers training on new Medical Countermeasures (MCM) screening and dispensing procedures, 3 volunteers improving the emergency preparedness of a community and recruiting at least one new volunteer. He will join seven others who completed their Citizen Corps of Delaware County (CCDC) orientation training last week. Many more have joined over the winter. New volunteers are the life blood of our Corps. They provide new energy and keep those who came before them on their toes. When new volunteers get a hat, a shirt, or their blue vest they are just starting to understand what the rest of us are talking about.

THE BLUE ARMY! In a sense this is who we are. People working together with one concentrated purpose, to improve the preparedness of our communities. The BLUE ARMY goes to work, planning for and responding to emergencies and disasters, teaching citizens how to be prepared, and helping those in need of assistance during recovery. The BLUE ARMY is giving opportunity to citizens to become part of the solution instead of being part of the problem. The BLUE ARMY builds resilient communities, whole communities who are prepared to help one another no matter what the existing or unmet needs may be. The BLUE ARMY reflects our communities, their cultures, life styles and includes all persons, even those with disabilities and other access and functional needs. Our three volunteer Deputy Coordinators, and twelve volunteer Assistant Coordinators work hard to keep the BLUE ARMY organized and ready for ACTION. Take a minute and consider your roll in the BLUE ARMY and be sure to come see us at an upcoming events or trainings.

**April Training & Events:** All of the links to events and trainings below have a full description of the event or training. These are also listed on the calendar at [www.delcocitizencorps.com](http://www.delcocitizencorps.com). Any volunteer from the SEPA counties is welcome to participate in all of these events or trainings. Please contact Ed Kline at [klineE@co.delaware.pa.us](mailto:klineE@co.delaware.pa.us) or 215-439-1407 if you have any questions or concerns.

*On Thursday< March 15, 2019 we participated in a ServPa Communication Exercise. 21% or 107 of our volunteers, of the 501 on ServPA, participated in this exercise by choosing a reply option. This is a great number!!! But, I am sure we can do better. Please complete these requests even if you are not available. Many of you do this and it helps. It confirms that you received the message, you exercised filling out the request, and completed the message process. SO PLEASE CONTINUE TO REPORT YOUR AVAILABILITY WHEN WE HAVE A COMMUNICATIONS EXERCISE!*

**Saturday & Sunday, April 6-7 from 8:30 to 16:30 both days—American Humane Disaster Animal Sheltering Course.** This is the required course to work with animals during mass care shelter operations. The volunteers in DelCART make this happen for us. Any volunteer can register for this training. Never know when you will need to have the skills to assist in this process. Just a few seats are left. Location: Delco 911 Center, 360 N. Middletown Road, Media, PA 19063  
Registration: <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/>



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**Monday, April 8, 2019—7 pm to 9 pm—Delco ARES Meeting and Training**— At the Delco 911 Center. New and existing members of our excellent ARES team are welcome to participate. A training on ARES operations is included! Hope to see you there. No registration necessary.

**Saturday, April 4—9 am to 1 pm—Reaching Across Barriers: Responding to the Needs of the Whole Community.** This interactive training workshop is designed to introduce volunteers to potential challenges they may encounter assisting various populations (e.g. individuals with communication difficulties, mobility difficulties, chronic health conditions) in an emergency response. In this workshop you will be challenged to think creatively about how to overcome or minimize the challenges facing these individuals. This workshop is targeted to POD and shelter environments, however, the lessons learned can be applied to assisting other individuals in nearly any capacity during an emergency and in daily life.

**When:** Saturday, April 6, 2019, from 9:00am-1:00pm

**Where:** Bucks County Health Dept., [1282 Almshouse Rd, Doylestown, PA](#), 1<sup>st</sup> floor auditorium.

**Registration:** To register, please contact Suzanne Redington at [scredington@buckscounty.org](mailto:scredington@buckscounty.org) or Fallon Maggio at [fpmaggio@buckscounty.org](mailto:fpmaggio@buckscounty.org).

**Thursday, April 11, 2019—9 am to 1 pm— Delco Government Center PODEX.** CCDC volunteers are invited to participate in this annual training and exercise of the county's own closed Point of Dispensing (POD). Seasoned volunteer will mentor staff and new volunteers will be introduced to the skills necessary to run a POD.

**When:** Thursday, April 11, 2019 from 9 am to 1 pm.

**Where:** Delaware County Government Center, 201 W. Front Street, Media, PA 19063  
Parking information will be provided to those who register.

**Registration:** <https://forms.gle/H8nBz3TQi6SqrdbB6>

**Thursday, April 11, 2019—7 pm to 9 pm— Red Cross Sheltering Fundamentals.** This course will provide an overview of reception center and sheltering operations in our Mass Care Operations, including registration, dormitory, medical & feeding operations. Volunteers from all backgrounds and experience levels should attend.

**When:** Thursday, April 11, 2019 from 7 pm to 9 pm

**Where:** Delaware County 911 Center, 360 N. Middletown Road, Media, PA 19063

**Registration:** <https://forms.gle/46nRj7i1zgWFpney9>

**Saturday, April 13, 2019—9 am to 11:30 am—Upland Borough CRC Streams Clean up Day.** The Mayor of the Borough of Upland has requested our assistance for a stream clean up day. Volunteer should register online to receive a FREE t-shirt. Volunteer can meet at the Upland Borough Hall, 224 Castle Ave. Upland, PA 19015 at 8:30 am.

**When:** Saturday, April 13, 2019 from 8:30 am to 11:30 am

**Where:** Upland Borough Hall, 224 Castle Ave. Upland, PA 19015

**Registration:** [crcwatersheds.org](http://crcwatersheds.org) "SITE # 187"

**Thursday, April 18, 2019—7 pm to 9 pm—Patient First Communications and Access & Functional Needs (AFN).** All volunteers should attend this important training!!! Objectives include initial actions and assessments of patients & effective and respectful communications for those with access and functional needs.

**When:** Thursday, April 18, 2019 from 7 pm to 9 pm

**Where:** Delaware County 911 Center, 360 N. Middletown Road, Media, PA 19063

**Registration:** <https://forms.gle/YWyg2WxDYGzZciYs6>



**Our Annual Volunteer Recognition Training & Dinner will be on Tuesday, October 8, 2019 at the Lazzaretto Ballroom, 99 Wanamaker Ave. Essington, PA 19029.**



**Saturday, April 20, 2019— 10 am to 2:30 pm— Community Day of Prevention at Rose Tree Park.** Volunteers are needed to set up and run a public outreach booth. We will be supplying the public with emergency preparedness materials and recruiting new volunteers.

When: Saturday, April 20, 2019 from 11 am to 2 pm, 10 am set up.

Where: Rose Tree Park, 1671 N. Providence Road, Media, PA 19063

Registration: <https://forms.gle/rV2696V8RZquJ4L16>

**Thursday, April 25, 2019—6 pm to 10 pm— Basic Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) Training.** This 24 hour course will provide volunteers a foundation in CERT operations, organization, search & rescue, fire safety, disaster medical operations, CPR, stop the bleed, psychological first aid, terrorism, hazardous materials, mass care, and public health response. Volunteers must complete the entire course which includes all the following dates and times.

When: Thursday evenings from 6 pm to 10 pm on April 25th, May 2nd, May 9th, May 16th, and Saturday May 18th from 9 am to 5 pm.

Where: Delaware County 911 Center, 360 N. Middletown Road, Media, PA 19063

Registration: <https://forms.gle/aXuV8PerxUD73mbH9>

**Friday, April 26, 2019—7:30 am to 2 pm—Day in the Life Event.** Volunteers are needed to set up and run a public outreach booth. We will be supplying the public with emergency preparedness materials and recruiting new volunteers.

When: Friday, April 26, 2019 from 7:30 am to 2 pm

Where: Delaware County Emergency Services Training Center, 1600 Calcon Hook Road, Sharon Hill, PA 19079.

Registration: <https://forms.gle/uBWvtsjvE1GFCGyZ7>

**Saturday, April 27, 2019— 9 am to 2 pm—Delco MRC MCM Strike Team Exercise—**

This training will prepare individuals and teams to perform the function of operating a Point of Dispensing within the Delaware County Medical Countermeasures (MCM) Point of Dispensing (POD) program. This session is applicable to novice and experienced persons. The session will include an overview of the SNS/MCM program, overall operation of a POD, and instruction on Screening & Dispensing tasks applicable to all participants. Experienced volunteers will review the building layout and completed a MCM POD plan from scratch, then organize and lead the operations of a simulated POD with all the participants. During the exercise novice participants will perform basic tasks while experienced persons will perform supervisory and leadership tasks. **LUNCH IS PROVIDED!**

When: Saturday, April 27, 2019 from 9 am to 2 pm

Where: Chichester High School, 3333 Chichester Ave. Boothwyn, PA 19061

Registration: <https://forms.gle/1TQjo19AeFcggi9f9>

**Monday, April 29, 2019-7 pm to 9 pm—CCDC Handbook Training.** This training will prepare individuals to participate in Citizen Corps activities. This session is a required training and applicable to novice and experienced Delaware County Citizen Corps volunteers. Session will include an overview of the Citizen Corps Handbook and cover some specific issues. Participants will also review and sign a confidentiality agreement and photo release.

When: Monday, April 29, 2019 from 7 pm to 9 pm.

Where: Delaware County 911 Center, 360 N. Middletown Road, Media, PA 19063

Registration: <https://forms.gle/PMrvFoeqiQBur1tF6>