

Local Opportunities:

Disaster Action Team Volunteers--Sadly local disasters happen too often! *Time Commitment: Negotiated*



Red Cross Disaster Action Teams (DATs), are made up of local, dedicated volunteers, prepared to offer assistance during a local time of need and respond to possibly the toughest times individuals or families may face. Day and night, 365 days a year, they turn tragedy into hope in the case of home fires, storms or floods. They stand at the ready to provide immediate support to the affected, assist with immediate needs like temporary lodging, replacement of critically needed medications, provide comforting support and referrals. Respond locally when disaster strikes during one of your shifts.

Home Fires Safety: Install Smoke Alarms Time Commitment 2 – 4 hours (approximately) per month

Home Fire Campaign teams fulfill individual requests for installations and provide fire safety education through this year-round, individualized and appointment-based program. Scheduling is flexibility as appointments are set for mutually convenient times.

Become a Community Volunteer Leader (CVL) *Time Commitment; Ideally 5 – 10 hours/week*

Do you connect with others naturally? Are you dedicated to your community? Consider partnering with the Red Cross as a CVL. You'll work to build capacity and help grow the volunteer base to deliver all aspects of the local Red Cross mission including Biomedical, Disaster Response and military and veteran communities. This is a leadership role working within your community.

Be a Community Preparedness Education Presenter Time Commitment; 5 hours/month

Do you enjoy engaging groups of young people? Present signature disaster preparedness programs to students in K - 12 and beyond. Curriculum is designed according to age level based on home fire safety and information of preparedness for themselves and to share with family and friends. Have you been a scout leader, a coach or parent? This could be for you!

Remote Opportunities (Completed from Home)—these roles require a phone and internet access

Disaster Recovery Follow-up Services *Time Commitment varies:* 0 – 10 *hours/mo.*

Provide casework and recovery planning to those who have been affected by a recent event such as fire or flood.

Service to the Armed Forces Caseworker Time Commitment: 5 hours/week

Provide casework support concerning resources and referrals to service members and their families by phone and computer.

Volunteer Recruitment Team Member *Time Commitment: 2 – 8 hours/month preferred*

Support the recruitment of new Red Cross volunteers in many ways such as attending local fairs, help posting opportunities on-line and/or hanging flyers. Work with the Volunteer Recruitment Specialist to determine creative ways to recruit in your area.

Volunteer Screener Team Member Time Commitment: 8 hours/week preferred

Volunteer Screeners seek to understand what brought prospective volunteers to the Red Cross and what volunteer opportunity would be a good fit. Specifically, you will be scheduling and conducting screening interviews using standardized protocols and refer the volunteer applicant to an appropriate line of service for engagement in Maine.

Roles with the Red Cross National Headquarters (NHQ) Time Commitment: varies according to role

Opportunities to serve the Red Cross on a national level abound. The list is long and varied including, Finance, Operations and Staff Services. Most of the NHQ positions can be remote.

Up and Coming Opportunity—more about this in the future!

Support those giving the gift of life—play a key role as a Blood Donor Ambassador *Time Commitment: 4 -6 hours/month*

Blood is always in demand. As a Blood Donor Ambassador you will be the important first and often last point of contact during a blood donor's visit assuring a positive experience; priming them to return to donate again—a true customer service role!

We provide all the training you need—no charge—Join Us!

This is a listing of select volunteer opportunities with the American Red Cross in Maine. For additional information please contact Volunteer Services at <u>MEvolunteer@redcross.org</u> or 207-272-7274. To learn about additional opportunities or to apply go to <u>www.redcross.org/volunteer</u>