

Office of Emergency Management

Yamhill County Oregon

ARES VOLUNTEER PROGRAM

MISSION:

Our mission is to provide volunteer support to the Yamhill County Emergency Management organization through the augmentation of radio communications with licensed Amateur radio operators on Amateur radio frequencies including those used for local, county, state, regional and national networks.

SCOPE OF WORK:

Volunteers are being recruited to:

- Assist in the development and implementation of programs that focus on preparedness and mitigation, such as:
 1. Amateur Radio Emergency Services (ARES)
 2. 72 Hour Preparedness
- Assist in the development of Emergency Operation Center (EOC) communications teams
- Assist in the development and implementation of EOC communication position training
- Assist in developing and maintaining Amateur radio equipment issue by the state OEM
- Assist in local training Amateur radio emergency communications training, Amateur radio examinations and the Incident Command System (ICS)

SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES:

Volunteers providing support and services to Yamhill County Emergency Management organization on an unpaid basis, and may set a schedule of their choosing. Most administrative activities will occur during normal business hours, Monday through Friday. Activities such as ARES training and certain community type presentations are often conducted after normal business hours and on weekends.

DURING AN EMERGENCY OR DISASTER:

Volunteers providing support and services to Yamhill County Emergency Management during a major emergency or disaster will be accounted and recognized as 'EMERGENCY SERVICE WORKERS' as defined in ORS 401.025. Under the provisions set forth in 501.355, Emergency Service Workers may be entitled to Workers Compensation, for injuries incurred as a direct result of their legal Emergency Service activities when dispatched and/or activated in accordance with current county protocols and/or procedures.

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ARES VOLUNTEER AGREEMENT

1. I will acquit myself in a positive and professional manner at all times while representing Yamhill County and the Amateur Radio Emergency Services (ARES) program.
2. I understand that my services are without charge to Yamhill County.
3. I understand if the conduct of my official deployment requires out of county travel, Yamhill County will provide round trip transportation if possible and will provide appropriate accommodations if the deployment is overnight. I am responsible for all other costs and expenses.
4. I agree to attend and successfully complete the Incident Command System IS 100.b, IS 200.b and IS 700.a, courses, and others deemed necessary to the successful completion of the goals of the Office of Emergency Management and the ARES program.
5. I understand that I will need to complete a Yamhill County Sheriff's Office Volunteer Application in addition to the training requirements listed above, and that the Yamhill County Sheriff's Office Volunteer Application will be used to conduct a criminal records check and that I must pass this check to become a deployable ARES member.
6. I understand that to be a member of Yamhill County Amateur Radio Emergency Services (YCARES) I must submit a signed volunteer agreement.
7. I understand that to be recognized as an Emergency Service Worker in Yamhill and receive a state OEM issued ARES ID card, I must be a member in good standing and have completed all of the administrative and training requirements stipulated above in bullets 4, 5 and 6.
8. I agree to attend an appropriate, county approved and provided, course on Diversity in the Workplace.
9. I agree that all personal information that I may become privy to during my activities as a Yamhill County ARES member, will be held in total confidence.
10. I understand and agree that I may terminate my membership in the Volunteer Program upon written notice of termination to the Yamhill County Emergency Manager, through the YCARES Emergency Coordinator (EC) and the Emergency Management Program my terminate my membership in the Volunteer Program by the Emergency Manager's written notice of termination to me, through the YCARES (EC). Upon leaving the program for any reason, I agree to return all YCARES issued material to my EC or the County Office of Emergency Management.
11. I have read and understand the terms of my involvement as a volunteer for Yamhill County, Office of Emergency Management and the YCARES programs.

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Witness: _____ Date: _____