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## RECOGNITION FOR SERVICE TO PUBLIC HEALTH

### *MRC Volunteers Promote & Protect Health in Martin County*

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**Martin County, FL** – In the season of giving thanks, the Florida Department of Health in Martin County proudly recognizes the volunteers from the Medical Reserve Corps (MRC), who support emergency preparedness and public health initiatives in the community.

“Medical and non-medical volunteers support us in so many ways.” said MRC Coordinator Sonya Crosby. “Their service, especially in the past year in response to COVID-19, has been incredibly valuable.”

Recently, Stuart residents Dr. Kathy Petteruti and Dr. Mary Starzinski were recognized for their service to Martin County through the MRC. In the past year, the pair have provided 400 service hours each, supporting COVID-19 education, community outreach and vaccination.

The MRC is a national network of volunteers organized at the local level to improve health and safety in their communities. Volunteers, both medical and non-medical, serve alongside public health and emergency personnel in special needs hurricane shelters, dispensing medication/vaccination and more. Information about the MRC is available here: <http://martin.floridahealth.gov/programs-and-services/emergency-preparedness-and-response/mrc.html>

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