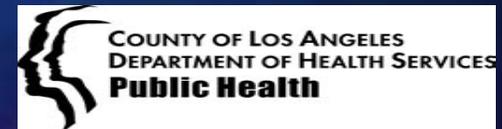


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***Preparedness Program***



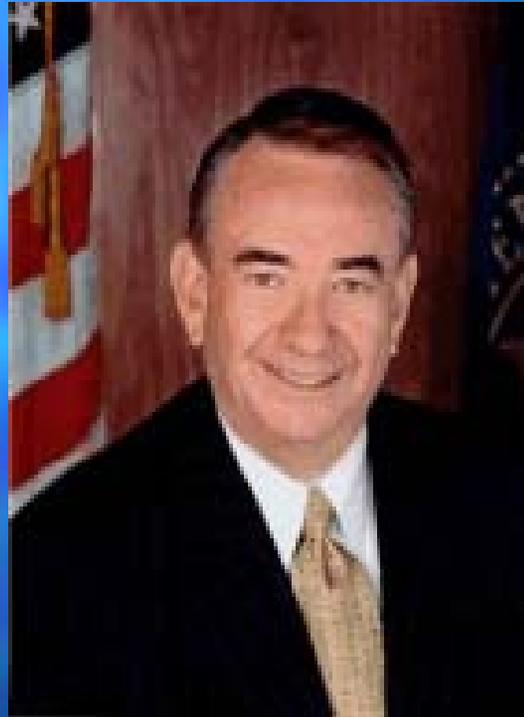
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**Tommy G. Thompson, Secretary**  
U.S. Department of Health and Human Services

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# WHY IS THE MEDICAL RESERVE CORPS NEEDED?

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After September 11, 2001, thousands of Americans responded by volunteering to help in any way they could. Many more Americans asked, "What can I do to help?"

The Medical Reserve Corps brings volunteers - health professionals and others - together to supplement existing local emergency plans and resources in cities, towns, and counties throughout the United States. In order to be most effective during times of emergency, volunteers must be organized and trained to work in emergency situations.

The Medical Reserve Corps is designed to provide that organizational structure and promote appropriate training of volunteers for communities.

# **THE MISSION OF THE MEDICAL RESERVE CORPS OF LOS ANGELES IS:**

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**To organize and train , primarily retired,  
health care professionals to serve as  
emergency auxiliary teams to respond to the  
medical needs, physical and emotional, of  
those persons sustaining the effects of a major  
community disaster, man-made or natural.**

# **THE MISSION OF THE MEDICAL RESERVE CORPS OF LOS ANGELES IS:**

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**To cooperate effectively and efficiently with  
CERT (Community Emergency Response  
Teams), EMSA (Emergency Medical Services  
Agency) and DMA (Disaster Management  
Areas).**

# **THE MISSION OF THE MEDICAL RESERVE CORPS OF LOS ANGELES IS:**

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**To participate in any community-based vaccination program to interview and identify those who are appropriate to receive immunization in accord with the guidelines specified by CDC.**

**To participate in the distribution of medications from pharmaceutical stockpiles in accord with guidelines provided by the Los Angeles Dept. of Health Services .**

# **THE MISSION OF THE MEDICAL RESERVE CORPS OF LOS ANGELES IS:**

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**To use church facilities for classrooms to educate and train the volunteers.**

**To create and present EDUCATIONAL programs to the public on**

**WHAT, HOW and WHEN**

**to prepare and respond to a critical event.**

# **THE MISSION OF THE MEDICAL RESERVE CORPS OF LOS ANGELES IS:**

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**To develop explicit protocols for the Corps, specifically to :**

**MOBILIZE (recruit, enlist, educate and train)**

**ALERT (communicate via the chain of command, call to duty and identify the nature of the disaster)**

**DEPLOY (assign the designated team(s) to the specified location(s) of the disaster)**

# **THE MISSION OF THE MEDICAL RESERVE CORPS OF LOS ANGELES IS:**

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**To organize an Interfaith Bereavement Council as a component of the Medical Reserve Corps and to be composed of clergy representing multiple religious organizations to provide support to those sustaining grief as the consequence of a disaster.**

# PROPOSAL OF A PLAN TO AUGMENT THE SCOPE AND FUNCTION OF THE MEDICAL RESERVE CORPS OF LOS ANGELES :

This proposal is being made in response to the President's wish "to help every American answer the call to service as part of the USA Freedom Corps' mission by strengthening and expanding service opportunities for volunteers to protect our homeland, to support our communities and to extend American compassion around the world."

One of the major concerns in responding to the effects of a major disaster is the spiritual impact of such an event. "GRIEF", when it is a consequence of a community disaster, should be considered as a physical, emotional and spiritual disability. There is a need to identify those affected and to provide appropriate support .

In addition to efforts to alleviate anxiety, depression and stress by providing assistance through mental health resources, it is proposed to establish an Interfaith Bereavement Council to address spiritual needs .

# PROPOSAL OF A PLAN TO AUGMENT THE SCOPE AND FUNCTION OF THE MEDICAL RESERVE CORPS OF LOS ANGELES (CONT.)

Since the County of Los Angeles encompasses a large geographic area and eleven million inhabitants, it is proposed to organize a bereavement resource in each of the already designated “disaster response areas in the county”.

This service can supplement similar services already available in faith-based organizations but can be a part of the community cooperative activity of the Medical Reserve Corps as suggested in the “Department of Health and Human Services’ guidelines in their Cooperative Agreement Application.

This proposal would plan to enlist the services of ministers, pastors, rabbis and other religious leaders to work together, consistent with the tenets of each respective participant to provide timely spiritual support for those in need.

# Medical Reserve Corps of Los Angeles

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The Department of Health and Human Services, Office of the Surgeon General has recognized the Medical Reserve Corps of Los Angeles to establish a community based, volunteer unit to supplement existing community emergency response systems as well as to contribute to meeting public health needs.

This corps has been developed under the supervision of the Los Angeles County Department of Health Services.

# Medical Reserve Corps of Los Angeles

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The Medical Reserve Corps of Los Angeles will provide the established health care community with teams of trained and experienced health professionals, most of whom are retired and some still currently licensed.

This corps will be educated and trained to respond to any major community disaster, whether man-made or natural.

# MEDICAL RESERVE CORPS EXECUTIVE STAFF

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Medical Director-Raymond D. Goodman, MD, MPH

Associate Medical Director-Robert Kim-Farley, MD, MPH

Physician Assistant Coordinator- Robert Sachs.PA-C

Nursing Services Coordinator-Jayne Hack, RN

Staff Secretary-Jackie Schwartz, PhD

# CONSULTANTS:

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**Alfred Lerner, MD---Dermatology**

**Avram Kaplan, MPH---Emergency Administration**

**Bonnita Wirth, PhD---Mental Health Advisor, American Red Cross**

**Bridget Ward, RN---Organizational Development and Training**

**Burton Sokoloff, MD---Pediatrics**

**David Breslow, R, Pharm ---Pharmaceutical Services**

**David Olson. LL.B,---Legal Counsel**

**Dickson Diamond, MD---Psychiatry and Mental Health**

**Edward Newton, MD---Emergency Medicine**

**Edward O'Neill, MD---Occupational Medicine and Toxicology**

**Gary Rachelefsky, MD---Allergy Diseases**

**Glen Tao, Pharm. D,---Strategic National Stockpile Coordinator**

**Jack Moshein, MD---Orthopedics and Trauma Surgery**

**James Haughton, MD—Public Health**

# CONSULTANTS CONT:

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**Jeffrey Rapp, MD---Infectious Diseases**

**Jonathan Fielding, MD---Public Health**

**Mary Ann Lewis, RN, Dr PH, Nursing Services**

**Phyllis Coffin, RN, MSN---Psychiatric Nursing**

**Ralph Frerichs, PhD---Epidemiology**

**Robert Stivelman, MD---Cardiovascular Diseases**

**Robert Wolfe, MD---Pulmonary Diseases**

**Ron Lopez, RN---Medical Disaster Response Systems Development**

**Sandra Shields, CERT--- Supervisor, Office of Emergency Management**

**Sharon Grigsby, MBA---Public Health-Bioterrorism Preparedness**

**Stephen Seiff, MD---Ophthalmology**

**Steven Rottman, MD---Public Health and Disasters**

# WHO IS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE PROGRAM?

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President Bush tasked the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS), under Secretary Tommy Thompson, with developing and implementing the Medical Reserve Corps (MRC). In response, Secretary Thompson assigned the Office of the Surgeon General (OSG) lead responsibility within DHHS for developing a program that would promote and support the development of the MRC.

# WHO IS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE PROGRAM? (CONT.)

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The Medical Reserve Corps is one way that health professionals can volunteer to strengthen both their communities and their nation. Locally-based Medical Reserve Corps Units can assist during large-scale emergencies, such as an influenza epidemic, a chemical spill, or an act of terrorism. Medical Reserve Corps volunteers also work to improve the overall health and well-being of their neighborhoods and communities.

# VOLUNTEER

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Service in the Medical Reserve Corps of Los Angeles is voluntary and can be discontinued at any time.

Possible service includes first aid, service in community education, and screening for voluntary vaccination and medications in mass clinics.

Since retired physicians and nurses no longer carry medical liability insurance, please be advised that California law provides enrolled volunteers with identical immunities from liability that are enjoyed by government employees during a declared state or local emergency.

# GETTING STARTED

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## **Organizing an MRC Unit: Operational Components**

1. Developing Volunteer Relationships and Capabilities
2. Coordinating With Your Local Response Partners
3. Establishing and Maintaining Your MRC Unit's Organization

# MUST A COMMUNITY HAVE A CITIZEN CORPS COUNCIL IN ORDER TO HAVE A MEDICAL RESERVE CORPS UNIT?

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No.

However, many communities either have established Citizen Corps Councils or are moving forward with efforts to do so. Citizen Corps Councils allow people in the community to participate in an organized way to promote effective and sustainable volunteerism at the community level.

Where there is a Citizen Corps Council, it is important that the planners and managers of a local MRC Unit have a working relationship with the Council.

**THERE IS A BIG CONCERN ABOUT LIABILITY ISSUES FOR HEALTH PROFESSIONALS. IS THE U.S. GOVERNMENT DOING ANYTHING ABOUT THIS?**

The U.S. Government, health profession organizations, and volunteer organizations are fully aware of this concern. It must be kept in mind, however, that in our federal system of government, tort law is primarily a state responsibility.

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# APPLYING FOR SPECIAL RECOGNITION FOR REGISTERED MRC UNITS

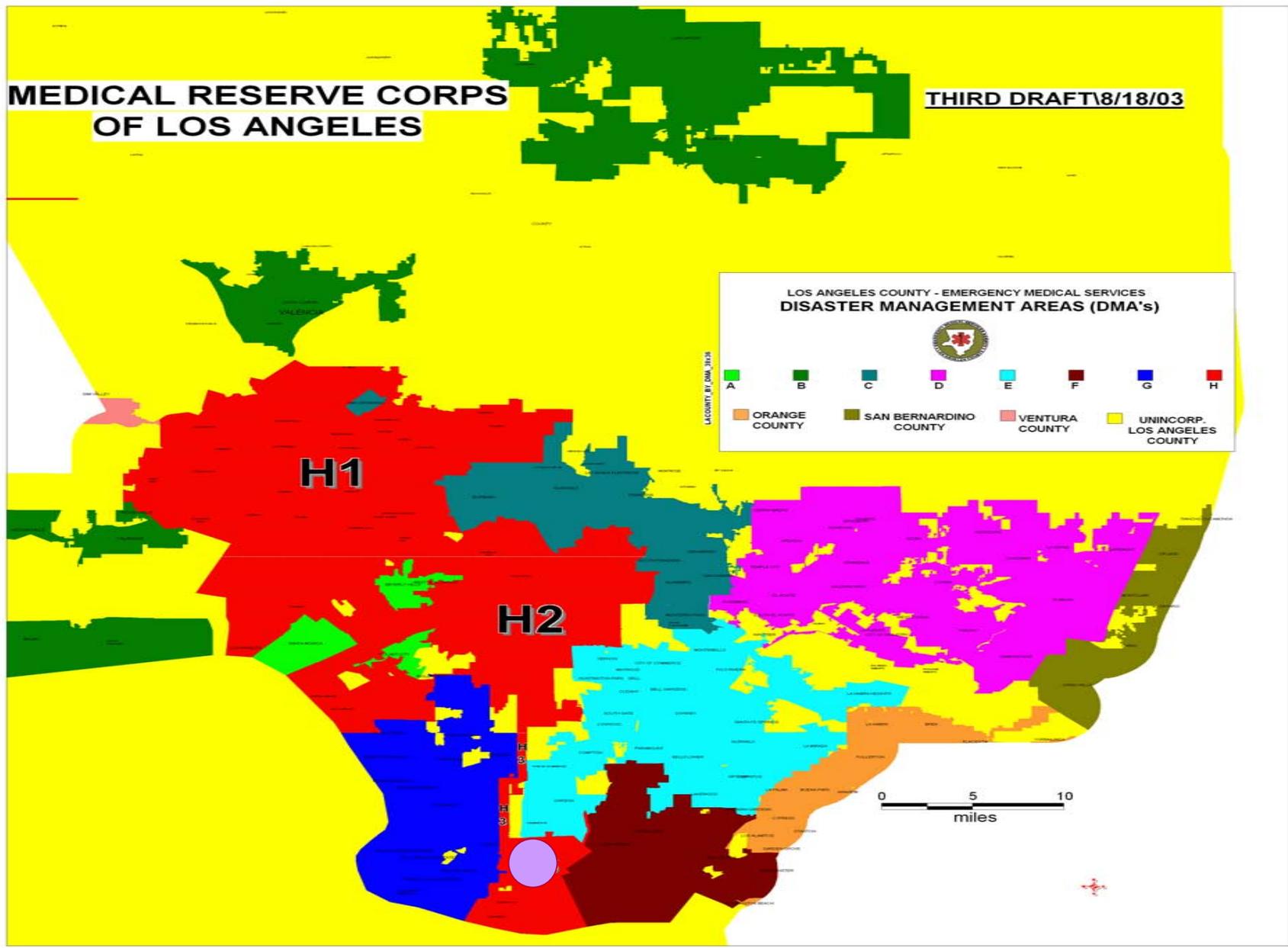
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Recognition by the MRC National Program Office represents a significant achievement for MRC units. It means they have met the National Program Office's criteria for growth and success. It also means they have been recognized as leaders and examples of excellence within the national MRC community.

The Medical Reserve Corps of Los Angeles was officially recognized in September 2003.

# MEDICAL RESERVE CORPS OF LOS ANGELES

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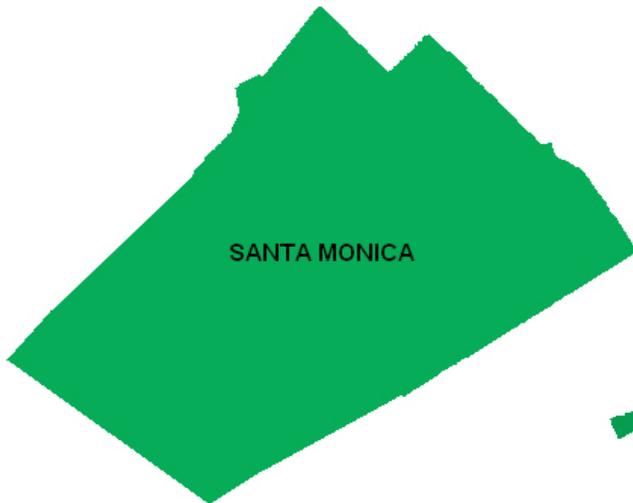
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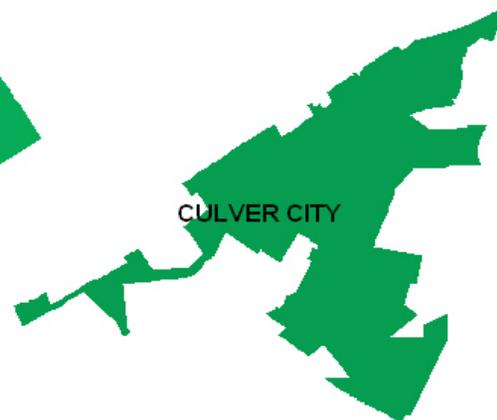
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BEVERLY HILLS



SANTA MONICA



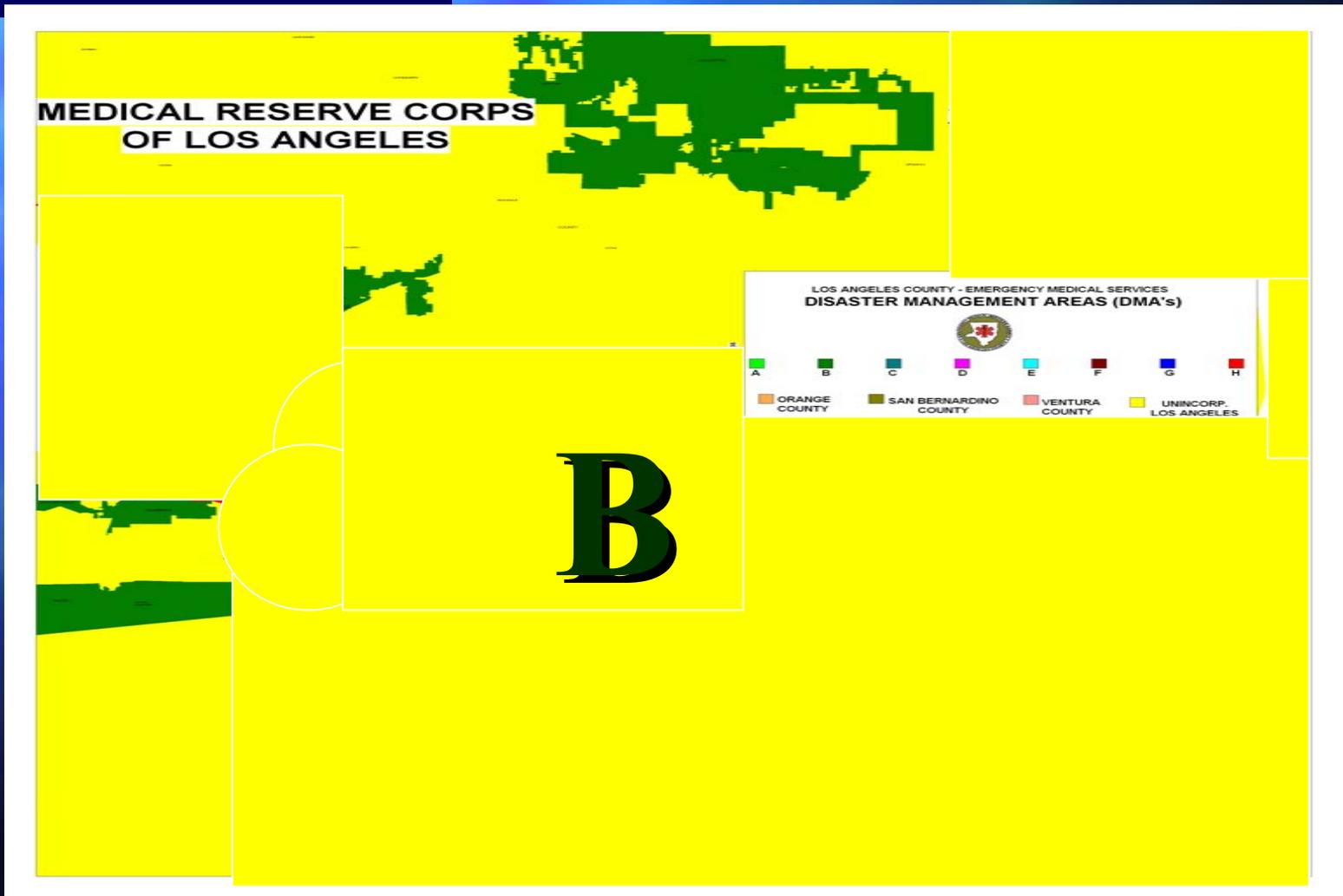
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# DMA-A

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|--------------------------|----------------|
| <b>BALDWIN HILLS</b>     | <b>170,000</b> |
| <b>BEVERLY HILLS</b>     | <b>34,550</b>  |
| <b>CULVER CITY</b>       | <b>39,750</b>  |
| <b>LADERA HEIGHTS</b>    | <b>10,180</b>  |
| <b>MALIBU</b>            | <b>12,575</b>  |
| <b>PACIFIC PALISADES</b> | <b>22,585</b>  |
| <b>SANTA MONICA</b>      | <b>86,200</b>  |
| <b>VENICE</b>            | <b>42,000</b>  |
| <b>WEST HOLLYWOOD</b>    | <b>36,350</b>  |
| <b>Total:</b>            | <b>454,190</b> |

# DMA-B

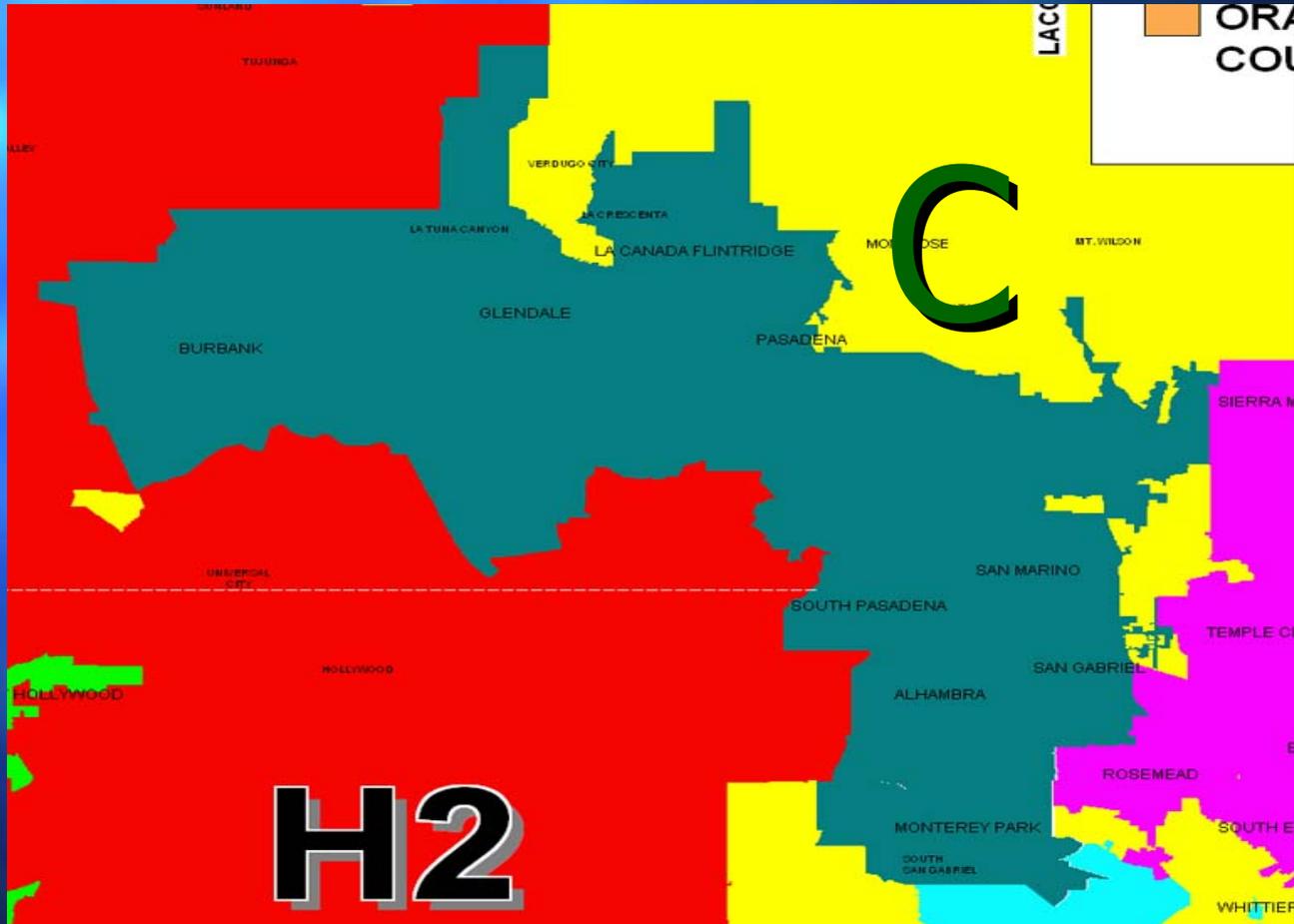


# DMA-B

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|                 |                |
|-----------------|----------------|
| ACTON           | 2,400          |
| AGOURA HILLS    | 20,900         |
| AGUA DULCE      | 85             |
| CANYON COUNTRY  |                |
| CASTAIC         |                |
| HIDDEN HILLS    | 2,850          |
| LAKE HUGHES     | 505            |
| LANCASTER       | 122,100        |
| MALIBU          | 12,850         |
| NEWHALL         |                |
| PALMDALE        | 121,400        |
| QUARTZ HILL     | 14,780         |
| SANTA CLARITA   | 162,900        |
| SAUGUS          |                |
| STEVENSON RNCH  |                |
| TOPANGA         | 5,500          |
| VALENCIA        |                |
| WEST LAKE VILL. | 8,500          |
| <b>Total :</b>  | <b>474,770</b> |

# DMA-C



# DMA-C

|                 |         |
|-----------------|---------|
| ALHAMBRA        | 88,000  |
| ALTADENA        | 42,610  |
| BURBANK         | 102,400 |
| EAGLE ROCK      |         |
| GLENDALE        | 199,000 |
| LACANADA-FLINTR | 20,700  |
| LA CRESCENTIA   | 27,250  |
| MONTROSE        | 6,540   |
| PASADENA        | 137,300 |
| SAN GABRIEL     | 40,850  |
| SAN MARINO      | 13,150  |
| SOUTH PASADENA  | 24,150  |
| SAN FERNANDO    | 24,450  |

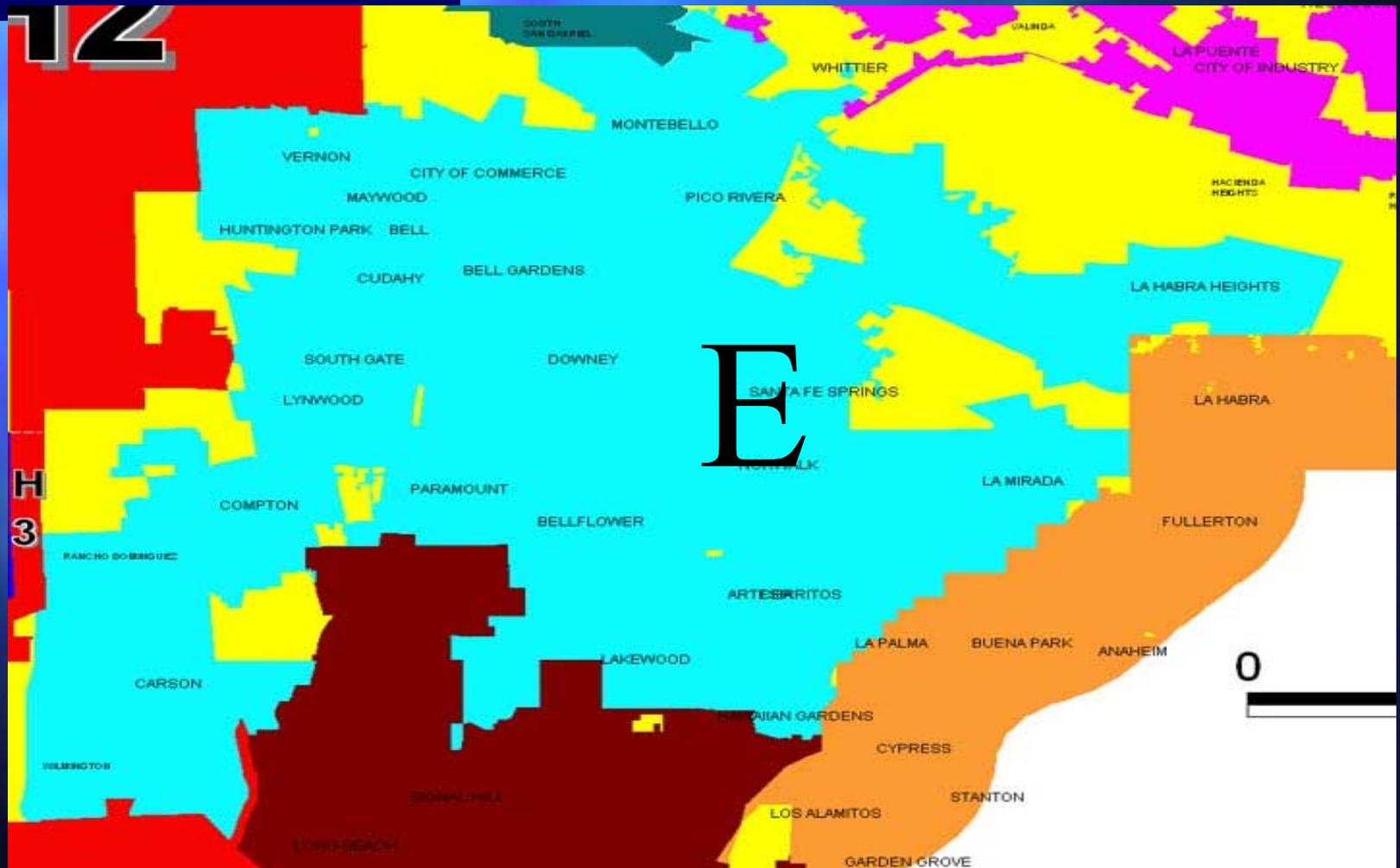
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# DMA-D

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| ARCADIA         | 54,200  |                  |
| AZUSA           | 46,050  |                  |
| BALDWIN PARK    | 78,800  |                  |
| BRADBURY        | 870     |                  |
| CLAREMONT       | 35,250  |                  |
| COVINA          | 48,050  |                  |
| DIAMOND BAR     | 57,600  |                  |
| DUARTE          | 22,050  |                  |
| EL MONTE        | 119,800 |                  |
| GLENDORA        | 50,600  |                  |
| INDUSTRY        | 800     |                  |
| IRWINDALE       | 1,500   |                  |
| KAGEL CANYON    |         |                  |
| LAKE VIEW TERR. |         |                  |
| LA PUENTE       | 42,500  |                  |
| LA VERNE        | 32,350  |                  |
| MONROVIA        | 37,850  |                  |
| MONTEREY PARK   | 62,200  |                  |
| POMONA          | 154,700 |                  |
| ROSEMEAD        | 55,400  |                  |
| ROWLAND HTS.    | 48,555  |                  |
| SAN DIMAS       | 35,800  | Total: 1,191,375 |
| SIERRA MADRE    | 10,750  |                  |
| SO. EL MONTE    | 21,900  |                  |
| TEMPLE CITY     | 34,100  |                  |
| WALNUT          | 30,700  |                  |
| WEST COVINA     | 109,000 |                  |

# DMA-E



# DMA-E

|                  |         |                 |
|------------------|---------|-----------------|
| ARTESIA          | 16,850  |                 |
| BELL             | 37,950  |                 |
| BELL GARDENS     | 45,650  |                 |
| BELLFLOWER       | 74,900  |                 |
| CARSON           | 93,500  |                 |
| CERRITOS         | 52,600  |                 |
| COMMERCE         | 13,050  |                 |
| COMPTON          | 96,700  |                 |
| CUDAHY           | 25,300  |                 |
| DOWNEY           | 110,600 |                 |
| EL MONTE         | 115,965 |                 |
| HACIENDA HTS     |         |                 |
| HAWAIIAN GARD.   | 15,300  |                 |
| HUNTINGTON PARK  | 63,600  |                 |
| LA HABRA HTS.    | 5,850   |                 |
| LA MIRADA        | 47,900  |                 |
| LAKEWOOD         | 81,000  |                 |
| LYNWOOD          | 72,400  |                 |
| MAYWOOD          | 29,100  |                 |
| MONTEBELLO       | 64,200  |                 |
| NORWALK          | 106,400 | VERNON 85       |
| PARAMOUNT        | 57,100  | WHITTIER 85,900 |
| PICO RIVERA      | 65,700  | WILMINGTON      |
| SANTA FE SPRINGS | 18,000  |                 |
| SOUTH EL MONTE   |         |                 |
| SOUTH GATE       | 99,800  |                 |

**Total: 1,495,400**

# DMA-F



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AVALON 3,210

LONG BEACH 473,600

SIGNAL HILL 9,725

HARBOR CITY

SAN PEDRO 130,000

PHILLIPS RANCH

Total: 616,535



# DMA G

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|                    |         |
|--------------------|---------|
| EL SEGUNDO         | 16,350  |
| GARDENA            | 59,600  |
| HAWTHORNE          | 86,700  |
| HERMOSA BEACH      | 18,900  |
| LAWNDALE           | 32,600  |
| LOMITA             | 20,500  |
| MANHATTAN BEACH    | 34,750  |
| PALOS VERDES       |         |
| PALOS VERDES EST.  | 13,550  |
| RANCHO PALOS VER.  | 42,000  |
| REDONDO BEACH      | 64,700  |
| ROLLING HILLS      | 1,910   |
| ROLLING HILLS EST. | 7,850   |
| TORRANCE           | 140,900 |
| Total:             | 540,310 |



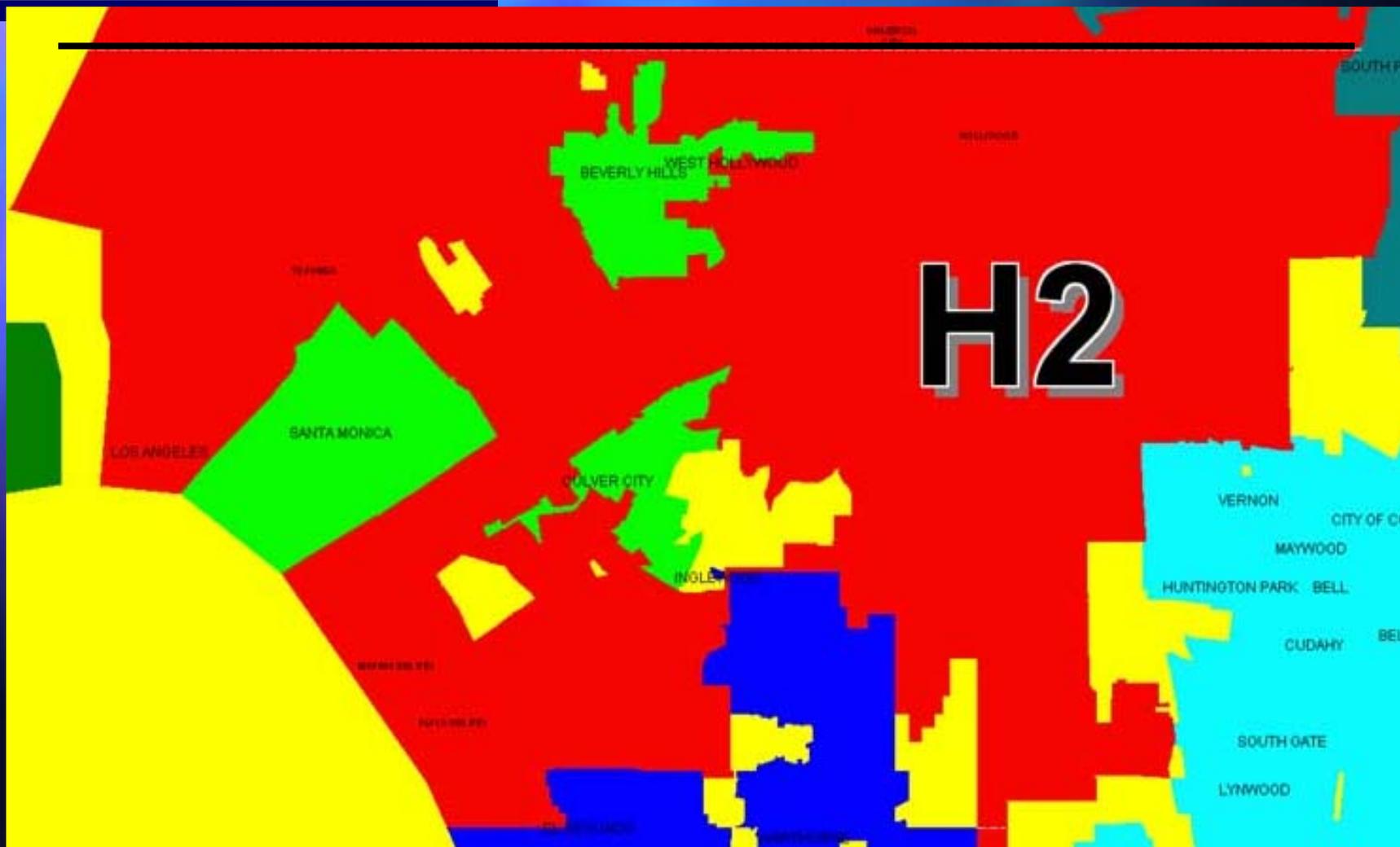
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| AGOURA HILLS                                      | 20,540                 |
| ARLETA  |                        |
| CALABASAS   | 20,033                 |
| CANOGA PARK                                       | 172,420                |
| (including: Winnetka, Woodland Hills, West Hills) |                        |
| CHATSWORTH  |                        |
| ENCINO  | 72,200 (incl: Tarzana) |
| GRANADA HILLS                                     | 51,000                 |
| HIDDEN HILLS                                      | 1,875                  |
| MISSION HILLS                                     | 14,900                 |
| NORTH HILLS                                       | 48,750                 |
| NORTH HOLLYWOOD                                   | 50,050                 |
| NORTHRIDGE  | 23,250                 |
| PACOIMA   | 100,780 (incl: Arleta) |
| PANORAMA CITY                                     | 52,580                 |

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|----------------|------------------------|
| RESEDA         | 62,120                 |
| SHERMAN OAKS   | 27,750                 |
| STUDIO CITY    | 24,350                 |
| SUNLAND        | 59,800 (incl: Tujunga) |
| SUN VALLEY     | 88,800                 |
| SYLMAR         | 73,000                 |
| TARZANA        |                        |
| TOLUKA LAKE    | 23,340                 |
| TUJUNGA        |                        |
| UNIVERSAL CITY |                        |
| VALLEY VILLAGE | 4,410                  |
| VAN NUYS       | 163,300                |
| WEST HILLS     |                        |
| WINNETKA       |                        |
| WOODLAND HILLS |                        |

**Total : 1,155,235**

# DMA-2



# DMA-H2

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|                |           |
|----------------|-----------|
| Hollywood      | 216,100   |
| Inglewood      | 112,580   |
| Los Angeles    | 3,694,820 |
| Marina Del Rey | 12,100    |
| Playa Del Rey  |           |
| Westchester    | 52,600    |

**Total: 4,076, 100**

# POPULATION IN DMA AREAS:

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|        |            |
|--------|------------|
| A---   | 454,190    |
| B---   | 474,770    |
| C---   | 726,400    |
| D---   | 1,191,375  |
| E---   | 1,495,400  |
| F---   | 616,535    |
| G---   | 540,310    |
| H-1--  | 1,155,235  |
| H-2--  | 4,076,100  |
| Total: | 10,730,315 |