

The intention of this list is not for volunteers to pack every item every time, but to help create a sense of the various items that might be needed and/or useful while deployed. It is expected that the volunteer will consider the needs of the specific deployment, such as weather, sleeping accommodations, surrounding disaster conditions, animal needs and any other specific assignments.

ITEMS	NOTES
UNIFORM CLOTHING	
Jeans, scrubs or tactical pants	<i>One pair per day</i>
RedRover Responders volunteer shirt or plain red shirt	<i>One per day</i>
Red sweatshirt or long-sleeve shirt	<i>One per day</i>
Shoes that are comfortable to work in	<i>One pair: work boots, walking shoes</i>
RedRover Responders volunteer ID badge	
RECOMMENDED ACCESSORIES	
<i>Safety and comfort are the top priorities</i>	
Work gloves	<i>At least one pair</i>
Knee pads	<i>At least one pair</i>
Small flashlight that can be kept in pocket/belt	<i>Handy to see inside kennels; use at night in hotel</i>
Sunglasses, case and neck rope	
Pocket size notebook/notecards and pen	
Backpack / fanny pack	<i>Could be useful if you don't like putting stuff in pockets</i>
OTHER CLOTHING	
Sleepwear	
Undergarments	<i>One per day</i>
Shorts	<i>Optional, worn when off-duty</i>
Comfortable shoes	<i>Optional, worn when off-duty</i>
Sun hat or baseball hat (gray, black or red)	<i>Optional</i>
Warm hat	<i>Optional</i>
Coat, jacket or hooded sweatshirt	<i>At least one</i>
Flip flops	<i>For showering</i>
Rain jacket and pants	<i>Depending on weather</i>
Waterproof boots	<i>Depending on weather</i>
PAPERWORK	
Printed and signed release	<i>Emailed to volunteer prior to deployment</i>
Printout of deployment confirmation email	<i>Emailed to volunteer after confirmation phone call</i>
Volunteer handbook	<i>Optional</i>
Printout of directions	<i>Useful in case your GPS does not work</i>

SUSTENANCE

Water bottle *Marked with name*
Water *If going into questionable area*
Non-perishable healthy snacks
Food, *if you have specific dietary needs that may be difficult to accommodate in areas of little resource*

PERSONAL CARE AND COMFORT ITEMS

Anti-itch cream
Baby wipes *To "shower" if there is no running water or time*
Bandanas (gray, black or red) *Optional, one per day*
Towels, wash/cleaning cloths *In case you need to protect vehicle upholstery*
Bug repellent
Deodorant
Earplugs *Useful while sleeping*
Foot powder / baby powder
Lip balm
Lotion *Unscented preferred*
Medications and/or vitamins
Pain reliever *Tylenol, Aspirin, Advil, Aleve, etc.*
Plastic trash bags *For storing your dirty clothing/shoes*
Shampoo, conditioner, body wash *The hotel may provide these items*
Small first aid kit *Band aids, ointment, blister remedies*
Sunscreen
Tissue *Pocket size*
Toiletries *Toothbrush/paste, hairbrush/comb, feminine hygiene*
Waterproof watch

OTHER OPTIONAL GEAR

Camera, battery and charger *For use when off-duty, unless specifically authorized*
Cell phone and charger *Or equivalent app*
Alarm clock
GPS system and charger
Vicks Vapor Rub *To block out odors*
Caribiner
Leatherman or Swiss Army knife tool

SLEEPING GEAR

Usually, volunteers are housed in hotels and do not need to bring sleeping gear. Occasionally, especially in disaster situations, we may be in dormitories, church basements or other types of more primitive housing.

Sleeping bag
Pillow *Compact*
Pillow case *Two*
Air mattress, bedroll, thermarest or cot *Compact*
Tent *This is rarely needed*

DO NOT BRING

See Code of Conduct *Weapons, including guns, are not permitted*
Perfumes *Some volunteers/animals may be scent-sensitive*