

## **US Digital Response Call for projects**

### **What is it about?**

The US Digital Response, USDR, is a volunteer-run, non-partisan effort to help the federal, state, and local government with technology, data, design, operations, communications, project management, and more during the COVID-19 crisis.

This network brings 4000+ volunteers that can help in issues like data management, manufacturing, logistics, digitizing work, service delivering, data modeling, to very specific needs.

### **What kind of needs can be considered?**

Short and medium term projects. In order to address this immediate crisis needs with a couple of weeks or a month of duration.

These projects may include:

- Consulting type of work and field expertise.
- Technical projects.
- Dashboards for emergency operations
- Crisis specific data analytics or making a labor for making a manual process more automated process.

### **Which ways can volunteers support your need?**

These projects may include design sprints to design work. Then jump to implementation. Also training or coaching staff for specific skills to support COVID-19 response.

Training needs can be scope as a set of challenges that we are facing. Volunteer answering questions or partnering in parts of the implementation. Find the right volunteer with that domain knowledge. Consulting discussions.

Volunteers can also bring extra hands in a situation.

### **Who can apply?**

City bureaus, offices, groups that need support on specific solutions, training and digital needs to perform better their work.

Local organizations that may partner with bureaus on specific needs.

## **How can I specify a project need?**

Define a specific need that may have a benefit to your organization. Multiple needs are also possible.

Define a project client. An individual who will be the communications contact between the organization and Smart City PDX or the USDR directly.

Spec the expected outcome and timeline.

Reframe it as a summary of a job description or a procurement request.

## **Links**

Web site: <https://www.usdigitalresponse.org/>

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