



MEMORANDUM

Date: October 8, 2020

To: The Honorable Chairman and Members
Pima County Board of Supervisors
Presiding Judge, Superior Court
Elected Officials
Appointing Authorities

From: C.H. Huckelberry
County Administrator

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "CH", is written over the printed name of the County Administrator.

Re: **October 2020 Blood Drive**

Thank you and staff for supporting the August 2020 blood drive. A total of 80 units, including units from six first-time donors, were collected during the drive, potentially saving 240 precious lives!

The majority of the blood donated at the August drive was sent to help patients at Banner University Medical Center–South Campus, Northwest Medical Center, and Copper Queen Community Hospital. Other hospitals may have benefitted from these donations; however, these three hospitals received the most blood products collected from our August blood drive.

The next Pima County blood drive, our last drive of the year, is October 28–29, 2020 (Wednesday and Thursday), 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. each day, in the Public Works Building, Conference Room C (Basement), 201 N. Stone Avenue. Donors are required to wear a face mask and maintain a six-foot distance from people in donor areas to prevent the spread of COVID-19. The Red Cross will also have masks available at the drive. For eligibility questions, please contact a Red Cross eligibility specialist at 1-866-236-3276.

The Red Cross is testing donated blood for COVID-19 antibodies to help patients battling coronavirus. Compatible blood types also help chronically ill and trauma patients, including cancer patients, sickle cell patients, transplant patients and accident and burn victims. All blood types are critically needed as every two seconds someone in the U.S. needs blood. **One blood donation can save three lives.**

To save 10-15 minutes before donation, donors may complete a RapidPass® on the morning of their appointment and bring the pass to their appointment. RapidPass® is located in the Red Cross Blood Donor App or www.RedCrossBlood.org, click on "Start RapidPass®" and follow instructions.

Additional benefits to donors who use the free Red Cross Donor App include access to their COVID-19 antibodies test results, blood donation schedule, donor card, blood type, mini-physical results, blood donation history and notification of when their blood is on its way to a patient.

An announcement will be emailed to Pima County employees in two weeks. Donors are encouraged to schedule appointments through their Red Cross Donor App (text "**BLOODAPP**" to **90999**) or online at www.RedCrossBlood.org and use Sponsor Code **PCDT**. Donors may also call the American Red Cross at 1-800-733-2767, or Blood Drive Coordinator Lisa Matthews at (520) 724-4425 to schedule, modify or cancel their appointment.

Again, thank you for your continued support of this life-saving event.

Attachment



**American
Red Cross**

Thank you!



Pima County Downtown

Sponsor Group

August 2020

Date of Drive

80 Incredible

Total Number of Donors

6 WOW

First Time Donors

80 Amazing!

Units Collected

240 Lives!

Potential Number of Lives Saved

When you made the decision to host a blood drive, you helped change lives.

WE'RE ALL IN THIS *Together*



**American
Red Cross**

Blood Drive

Pima County Downtown Tucson Public Works Building

Conference Room C (Basement)
201 N. Stone Ave.
Tucson, AZ 85701

Wednesday, October 28, 2020
8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
Thursday, October 29, 2020
8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

During this unprecedented time, your blood donation is more important than ever! Please ensure we have blood available for patients in dire need.

Appointments take priority, once the schedule is filled, due to social distancing, walk-ins will not be accepted. Don't delay make your appointment today!

To schedule your appointment, please call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767)
or visit redcrossblood.org and use Sponsor Code: **pcdt**
or text "**BLOODAPP**" to **90999** on mobile device



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