

Facts About Blood & Donation:

Most of the time donated blood is used by a cancer patient. About 20 percent of the time the recipient is a baby or child.



About 38 percent of Americans are eligible to donate while only 10 percent give.

It is impossible to contract any disease from donation; single-use sterile equipment is used.

Donating blood is simple. The whole process including paper work and a mini-physical takes about 45 minutes. The actual process of donating blood takes about six minutes.

One donation given to LifeShare can save four lives. A gift of whole blood is carefully separated into red cells, platelets, plasma, and cryoprecipitate.

Blood makes up about 10 percent of an individual's weight. Weigh yourself and divide your weight by 12 - that answer is about how many pints of blood your body has. Adults usually have roughly 10- to 15 pints. A newborn baby has about one half pint or one cup of blood.

Examples of blood use and possible number of donations needed: liver transplant (100); hip replacement (2-5); cancer (8 weekly); auto accident (50); bypass surgery (1-5); anemia (4 monthly); bleeding ulcer (3-30); bone marrow transplant (2 daily); brain surgery (4-10).

LifeShare Donor Facilities:

333 East Bridge St., Elyria, Ohio 44035

Avon Lake Olde Firehouse, Rt. 83 & Lake Rd., Avon Lake, Ohio 44012

4274 Oberlin Ave., Lorain, Ohio 44053

Allen Community Medical Center, 508 Dickson St., Wellington, Ohio 44090

18100 Jefferson Park Rd., Suite 102, Middleburg Hts., Ohio 44130

1455 Harrison Ave. N.W., Suite 208, North Bldg., Canton, Ohio 44708
330.489.1076

267 McCauley Dr., Uhrichsville, Ohio 44683

Toll-free donor scheduling line:

1.866.644.5433 (Life)

Toll-free blood drive scheduling line:

1.888.543.3742

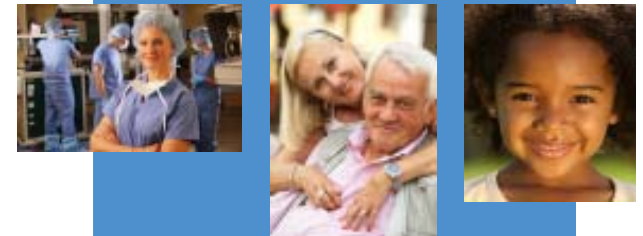
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Protecting you and those you love since 1948:





LifeShare is a charity that exists to provide a safe and adequate supply of blood and components to save the lives of the critically ill and injured across

Northeast Ohio. LifeShare provides 100 percent of the blood needed at every hospital in Lorain County and is a primary source of blood to Cuyahoga and Stark counties.

Since 1948, LifeShare Community Blood Services has distinguished itself throughout the region with a community-focused mission; blood collected remains in the community from which it was drawn.

In addition to mobile blood drives held throughout the community, LifeShare has eight permanent collection facilities across the region. The Blood Center operates 24-hours a day year 'round to assure no Northeast Ohio life is ever lost for lack of blood.

LifeShare is also well known throughout the health care community for maintaining among the lowest cost-recovery fees in the Nation. The Blood Center saves Northeast Ohio hospitals and patients more than \$4 million annually when compared with the alternative supplier.



LifeShare provides a wide variety of services to the region. In addition to conventional blood or component donation for the benefit of anyone in the community, LifeShare makes it possible to direct a gift of blood to a specific patient or to allow an individual to use their own blood for a scheduled procedure. LifeShare also accepts therapeutic donations from those whose physicians prescribe the methodology.

LifeShare at a Glance:

LifeShare serves the needs of more than 35 hospitals across Northeast Ohio

LifeShare operates as a locally governed, nonprofit 501 (c) (3) organization that does not receive federal, state nor regular United Way funding.

All LifeShare donors are volunteers; for the safety of the blood supply, no monetary compensation is ever given.

LifeShare is the only source of granulocytes (granule cells) in all of Northern Ohio. The concentration of white cells is called for when every form of antibiotic therapy has failed and a patient's life or an appendage is immediately at stake.



By giving blood locally to LifeShare, you help ensure that a 24-hour, reliable, continuous supply of blood is available in Northeast Ohio.

LifeShare has seven donor facilities and holds mobile blood drives seven days a week at schools, churches, companies, festivals, and civic and social organizations.

LifeShare is accredited by AABB and is licensed and inspected by the FDA.

LifeShare is a member of America's Blood Centers a national federation of the Nation's 79 nonprofit, community-focused blood providers.

In appreciation for the generosity Northeast Ohio students demonstrate through blood donation, LifeShare established a scholarship program in 2002. Each year the Blood Center gives thousands of dollars in scholarships to high school and college students.

