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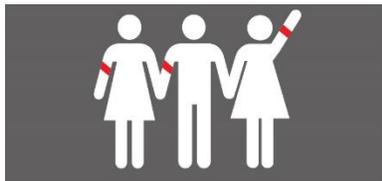
News Release

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City of LaGrange to Host Blood Drive Wednesday, June 3rd

LaGrange, Ga. May 28, 2020 – The City of LaGrange plans to host a Blood Drive **Wednesday, June 3rd, 10AM-3PM at the LaGrange Fire Department’s Training Room at 115 Hill Street in LaGrange.**



**City of LaGrange
Blood Drive**
LaGrange Fire Department
Training Room
115 Hill Street
Wednesday, June 3, 2020
10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.



The American Red Cross has an urgent need for blood donations to prevent another blood shortage as hospitals resume surgical procedures and patient treatments that were temporarily paused earlier this spring in response to the COVID-19 pandemic.

In recent weeks, hospital demand for blood products has grown by 30% after sharply declining in early April amid this rapidly changing and complex public health crisis. At the same time, blood drives continue to

be canceled as many businesses and community organizations remain closed.

“Blood donors have played a vital role in the lives of patients who have needed lifesaving transfusions during this pandemic, and patients continue to depend on donors each and every day,” said Paul Sullivan, senior vice president, Red Cross Blood Services. “The Red Cross appreciates the support of those who rolled up a sleeve to give in recent months, but the need doesn’t stop. We need the public’s help to avoid another blood shortage this summer.”

Walk-ins are accepted but appointments are encouraged. To make an appointment visit www.redcrossblood.org and enter sponsor code lagrange or call 1-800-RED-CROSS. If you want to save even more time, go to www.redcrossblood.org/rapidpass to complete pre-donation reading and health history questions.

The public is invited to participate.

WHO: The City of LaGrange, American Red Cross

WHAT: Blood Drive with the American Red Cross

WHEN: Wednesday, June 3rd, 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

WHERE: LaGrange Fire Department Training Room, 115 Hill Street, LaGrange, GA 30241

HOW: To make an appointment go to www.redcrossblood.org & enter sponsor code: lagrange or call 1-800-RED-CROSS (733-2767)

The American Red Cross is the nation’s largest blood collection organization, supplying approximately 40 percent of the blood and blood products used in our country.

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