

# Red Cross Initiative Aims To Increase Blood Availability For Patients With Sickle Cell Disease

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ST. LOUIS — When patients living with sickle cell disease face a sickle cell crisis, blood transfusions can make a lifesaving difference. That's why the American Red Cross has launched an initiative to grow the number of blood donors who are Black to help patients with sickle cell disease, an enduring and often invisible health disparity in the U.S.

Over 100,000 people in the U.S. have sickle cell disease, the most common inherited blood disorder, and the majority of patients are of African descent. Despite the

discovery of the disease more than a century ago, there have been fewer health resources available to help those currently suffering from sickle cell crises in comparison to similar diseases. According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, people with sickle cell disease experience worse health outcomes than comparable diseases.

### **A closer blood match leads to better outcomes**

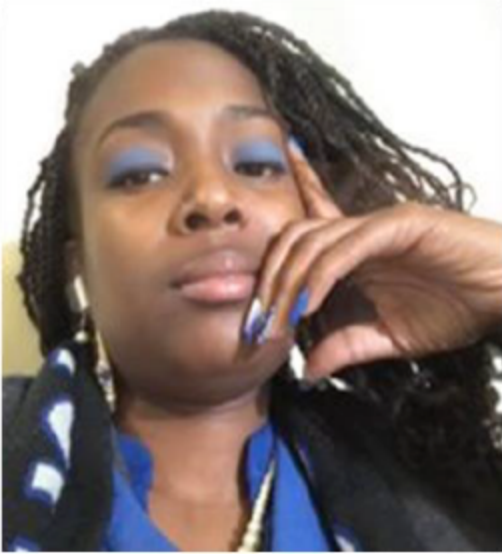
Many patients with sickle cell disease will require regular blood transfusions to help manage their disease. Unfortunately, these patients may develop an immune response against blood from donors that are not closely matched to their own. Many individuals who are Black have distinct markers on their red blood cells that make their donations ideal for helping patients with sickle cell disease. **More than half of blood donors who are Black have blood that is free of C, E, and K antigens – making them the best match for those with sickle cell disease.**

**The Red Cross asks members of the Black community to join in helping to address this health disparity and meet the needs of patients with sickle cell disease. Donors can take action today by scheduling a blood donation appointment at [RedCrossBlood.org](https://www.redcrossblood.org), by downloading the [Blood Donor App](#), or by calling 1-800-RED CROSS.** To help tackle the need for blood in September – Sickle Cell Awareness Month all donors who come to give with the Red Cross Sept. 13-30 will receive a limited-edition football-themed T-shirt, while supplies last.

### **Life-threatening complications**

Sickle cell disease distorts soft, round blood cells and turns them hard and crescent-shaped, which can cause extreme pain. When hardened, the cells can get caught in blood vessels, potentially leading to stroke and organ failure.

“Transfusions provide healthy blood cells, unblocking blood vessels and delivering oxygen,” said Dr. Emily Coberly, Red Cross of Missouri-Arkansas Medical Director “By increasing the amount of closely matched blood products, the Red Cross is able to help ensure the right blood product is available at the right time for patients facing a sickle cell crisis – minimizing complications for those with rare blood types fighting sickle cell disease.”



## **Annual Sickle Cell Blood in Memory of Ronicia 'Ro' Otey in St. Louis – Sept. 25**

Ronicia "Ro" Otey of St. Louis, Mo. will best be remembered as an amazing sickle cell warrior. She dedicated her fight to educating people on sickle cell disease and used any opportunity to tell them about the need for a diverse pool of blood donors. Ronicia received regular blood transfusions and credited those donors with helping her to live her best life. Prior to her passing in Sept. 2019, she was passionate about the community, helping one another and how the community blood donations could save the life of a sickle cell warrior

Honor the memory of Ronicia and help sickle cell patients in need by donating blood on Saturday, Sept. 25 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Masonic Hall Ballroom, 4525 Olive Blvd. All donors will receive a \$10 Amazon.com gift card code by email. To make an appointment download the Red Cross Blood Donor app, go to [www.redcrossblood.org](http://www.redcrossblood.org), or call 1-800-Red Cross and enter/reference sponsor code **Ro**.

### **Community partners lending support**

Partnerships with national and local organizations within the Black community are critical to building trust, sharing information, and working together to engage new donors to help save lives. Nationally, the Red Cross is thrilled to announce new partnerships with preeminent organizations like the NAACP and 100 Black Men of America, Inc. to raise awareness about sickle cell disease as a persisting and heartbreaking health disparity, and to help patients with sickle cell disease by encouraging blood donations from individuals who are Black.

## **Upcoming blood donation opportunities Sept. 14-30:**

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#### **Bond**

##### **Mulberry Grove**

9/16/2021: 2 p.m. - 6 p.m., Mulberry Grove Community Building, 100 E Maple Street

##### **Pocahontas**

9/14/2021: 2 p.m. - 6 p.m., St Nicholas Church, 401 East State Street

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### **Clay**

#### **Louisville**

9/20/2021: 2 p.m. - 6 p.m., North Clay Elementary, Route 45 South

9/29/2021: 2 p.m. - 6 p.m., Full Armor Christian Academy, 600 Erwin Street

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### **Clinton**

#### **Beckemeyer**

9/21/2021: 2 p.m. - 6 p.m., American Legion Hall, 391 Louis Street

#### **Breese**

9/15/2021: 1 p.m. - 6 p.m., American Legion Hall, 575 North Main Street

#### **New Baden**

9/20/2021: 1 p.m. - 6 p.m., Civic Center, 100 East Birch Street

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## **Coles**

### **Mattoon**

9/17/2021: 10 a.m. - 2 p.m., Burgess Osborne Auditorium, 1701 Wabash Avenue

9/22/2021: 2 p.m. - 6 p.m., Burgess Osborne Auditorium, 1701 Wabash Avenue

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### **Crawford**

### **Hutsonville**

9/14/2021: 2 p.m. - 6 p.m., Hutsonville High School, 500 West Clover Street

### **Palestine**

9/29/2021: 2 p.m. - 6 p.m., Palestine High School, 102 North Main Street

### **Robinson**

9/28/2021: 2 p.m. - 6 p.m., Robinson Community Center, 300 South Lincoln

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### **Cumberland**

### **Greenup**

9/29/2021: 1 p.m. - 6 p.m., Greenup Village Municipal Building, 115 East Cumberland Street

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### **Effingham**

### **Altamont**

9/24/2021: 11 a.m. - 5 p.m., Altamont High School, 7 South Ewing

### **Effingham**

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9/21/2021: 1 p.m. - 6 p.m., Effingham Event Center, 1501 West Fayette  
9/22/2021: 12:15 p.m. - 6:45 p.m., Effingham Blood Donation Center, 603 Eden Ave  
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## **Fayette**

### **Brownstown**

9/28/2021: 2 p.m. - 6 p.m., Brownstown Elementary School, 1708N 1550 Street

### **Shobonier**

9/14/2021: 2 p.m. - 7 p.m., Dutch Prairie Community, 983 N 1300th St

### **Vandalia**

9/14/2021: 12 p.m. - 6 p.m., Vandalia Moose Lodge, 328 South 3rd Street

9/20/2021: 3 p.m. - 7 p.m., Vandalia Elementary School, 1017 West Fletcher

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## **Jefferson**

## **Bluford**

9/21/2021: 12 p.m. - 5 p.m., Bluford Elementary School, 907 West 6th Street

## **Ina**

9/27/2021: 2 p.m. - 6 p.m., Free Will Baptist Church, 3rd and Elm Street

## **Mount Vernon**

9/23/2021: 2 p.m. - 6 p.m., St Mary's Parish Center, 1500 Main Street

9/30/2021: 9:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m., Casey Middle School, 1829 Broadway

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## **Macoupin**

## **Staunton**

9/30/2021: 1 p.m. - 5 p.m., Associated Bank, 115 S. Elm St.

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## **Madison**

## **Alton**

9/14/2021: 11 a.m. - 3 p.m., SIUE-Dental-Bldg 280 Center for Professional Advancement, 2800 College Ave

9/15/2021: 10 a.m. - 3 p.m., The Old Bakery Beer Company, 400 Landmarks Blvd

## **Bethalto**

9/15/2021: 2 p.m. - 6 p.m., Bethalto Senior Citizens Center, 100 E Central St.

## **Collinsville**

9/14/2021: 2 p.m. - 6:30 p.m., Holy Cross Lutheran Church, 304 South Street

9/27/2021: 12 p.m. - 5 p.m., First United Presbyterian Church, 201 E Church St

### **Edwardsville**

9/22/2021: 1 p.m. - 6 p.m., YMCA, 7348 Goshen Road

### **Granite City**

9/14/2021: 1 p.m. - 6 p.m., Knights of Columbus Council 1098, 4225 Old Alton Rd

9/23/2021: 10 a.m. - 2 p.m., Southwestern Illinois College, 4950 Maryville Rd

### **Highland**

9/15/2021: 1 p.m. - 6 p.m., Mosaic Church - Highland, 1317 Pestalozzi St

9/20/2021: 1 p.m. - 6 p.m., Korte Recreation Center, 1 Nagel Dr.

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### **Marion**

### **Centralia**

9/15/2021: 11 a.m. - 4 p.m., Christ Our Rock Lutheran High School, 9545 Shattuc Road

9/15/2021: 11 a.m. - 6 p.m., Centralia American Legion Hall, 117 South Poplar

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### **Monroe**

### **Columbia**

9/21/2021: 10 a.m. - 3 p.m., Turner Hall, 211 East Cherry Street

### **Hecker**

9/24/2021: 12 p.m. - 5 p.m., Hecker Community Center, 230 East Washington Street

## **Valmeyer**

9/20/2021: 12 p.m. - 5 p.m., Valmeyer High School, 300 South Cedar Bluff Drive

## **Waterloo**

9/14/2021: 12 p.m. - 7 p.m., St Paul UCC-Waterloo, 1st and Main

9/15/2021: 8 a.m. - 12 p.m., St Paul UCC-Waterloo, 1st and Main

9/22/2021: 12 p.m. - 5 p.m., Fast Fitness in the Loo, 405 Front St.

9/22/2021: 1 p.m. - 6 p.m., VFW, 406 Veterans Dr.

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## **Montgomery**

### **Litchfield**

9/30/2021: 2 p.m. - 6 p.m., Zion Lutheran Church, 1301 North State Street

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## **Randolph**

### **Red Bud**

9/16/2021: 1:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m., Red Bud Regional Hospital, 325 Spring Street

### **Sparta**

9/21/2021: 12 p.m. - 4:30 p.m., Spartan Light Metal, 510 East McClurken

9/24/2021: 10 a.m. - 2 p.m., Sparta Community Hospital, Broadway Plaza, Suite 3

9/29/2021: 2 p.m. - 6 p.m., VFW Post 2698, 1911 North Market Street

## **Richland**

## **Olney**

9/17/2021: 1 p.m. - 5 p.m., Richland Nursing and Rehab, 900 East Scott St

9/30/2021: 11 a.m. - 3 p.m., Olney Public Library, 400 W. Main St

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## **Saint Clair**

## **Belleville**

9/20/2021: 1 p.m. - 6 p.m., First Christian Church, 5929 Old St Louis Rd

9/21/2021: 2 p.m. - 6 p.m., St Luke Catholic Church, 301 N Church Street

9/22/2021: 9 a.m. - 2 p.m., Southwestern Illinois College, 2500 Carlyle Ave

9/30/2021: 1 p.m. - 6 p.m., Engine House 4, 1125 S Illinois St

## **Fairview Heights**

9/14/2021: 12:15 p.m. - 7:15 p.m., Fairview Heights Blood Donation Center, 10886 Lincoln Trail

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## **Freeburg**

9/27/2021: 1 p.m. - 6 p.m., Freeburg Township Office, 203 S. Richland Street

## **Mascoutah**

9/16/2021: 2 p.m. - 7 p.m., Holy Childhood Church, 104 North Independence, P. O Box 160

## **O Fallon**

9/27/2021: 2 p.m. - 7 p.m., Public Safety Building, 285 N. 7 Hills Rd

9/30/2021: 1 p.m. - 6 p.m., Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints O'Fallon & Shiloh Ward, 255 Fairwood Hills Rd

## **Smithton**

9/24/2021: 3 p.m. - 7 p.m., Senior Citizen Center, 711 South Main Street

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## **Washington**

### **Ashley**

9/23/2021: 2 p.m. - 6 p.m., Ashley Community Building, 660 East Main Street

### **Okawville**

9/21/2021: 10 a.m. - 4 p.m., St Peter United Church of Christ, 106 West Church

## **MO**

### **Franklin**

### **New Haven**

9/29/2021: 12:45 p.m. - 6 p.m., American Legion Hall, 9494 Highway 100

### **Pacific**

9/14/2021: 2 p.m. - 6 p.m., New Beginnings Lutheran Church, 791 New Beginnings Drive

9/27/2021: 2 p.m. - 6 p.m., Truman Elementary School, 101 Indian Warpath Drive

### **Sullivan**

9/29/2021: 1 p.m. - 6 p.m., Knights of Columbus Sullivan, 231 MO-185

## **Union**

9/21/2021: 1:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m., American Legion, 205 North Washington

## **Washington**

9/14/2021: 11:45 a.m. - 6:15 p.m., Washington Blood Donation Center, 6244 Hwy 100, Suite 210

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9/20/2021: 1 p.m. - 6 p.m., St Francis Borgia Church, 100 Cedar Street

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## **Jefferson**

### **Arnold**

9/14/2021: 10 a.m. - 3 p.m., VFW Post 2593, 2301 Church Road

9/23/2021: 2 p.m. - 6 p.m., Arnold Recreational Center, 1695 Missouri State Rd.

### **Desoto**

9/25/2021: 9 a.m. - 1 p.m., St Rose of Lima Catholic Church, 504 S. 3rd and Miller

### **Festus**

9/22/2021: 11 a.m. - 4 p.m., Jefferson County Family YMCA, 1303 YMCA Drive

### **High Ridge**

9/20/2021: 2 p.m. - 6 p.m., St. Martin United Church of Christ, 3229 High Ridge Blvd

### **Hillsboro**

9/16/2021: 10 a.m. - 2 p.m., Jefferson County Administration Center, 729 Maple Street

### **Imperial**

9/20/2021: 1 p.m. - 6 p.m., Meramec Arnold Elks, 1515 Miller Road

9/21/2021: 2:30 p.m. - 7 p.m., St. Joseph Catholic School, 6024 Old Antonia

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## **Lincoln**

### **Troy**

9/26/2021: 1:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m., Journey Church, 366 S. Lincoln Drive

9/30/2021: 2 p.m. - 6 p.m., St Stephen United Methodist Church, 101 St. Stephen Lane

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## **Saint Charles**

## **Lake Saint Louis**

9/23/2021: 1 p.m. - 6 p.m., Lake St Louis Police Department, 200 Civic Center Dr

## **O Fallon**

9/16/2021: 2 p.m. - 6 p.m., Twin Chimneys Subdivision, 7145 Twin Chimneys Blvd

9/17/2021: 10 a.m. - 4 p.m., Holy Cross Lutheran Church, 8945 Veterans Memorial Parkway

9/17/2021: 11 a.m. - 4 p.m., Progress West Hospital, 2 Progress Point Parkway

9/30/2021: 2 p.m. - 6 p.m., Julius Monroe Salon & Spa, 939 Waterbury Falls Dr

## **Saint Charles**

9/17/2021: 12 p.m. - 4 p.m., McClay Library, 2760 McClay Rd

9/17/2021: 1 p.m. - 5 p.m., Club Fitness St. Charles, 1443 Bass Pro Dr

9/28/2021: 1 p.m. - 6 p.m., Grace Presbyterian Church, 6308 Hwy N

## **Saint Peters**

9/14/2021: 7:45 a.m. - 2:45 p.m., St Charles County Blood Donation Center, 252 Mid Rivers Center

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9/17/2021: 11 a.m. - 4 p.m., Barnes Jewish St Peters Hospital Medical Office Building #1, 6 Jungermann Circle, Suite 117

9/17/2021: 1 p.m. - 6 p.m., Calvary Church, 3998 Mid Rivers Mall Drive

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### **Weldon Spring**

9/23/2021: 2 p.m. - 6 p.m., St John's United Church of Christ Weldon, 945 Wolfrum Rd.

### **Wentzville**

9/30/2021: 3:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m., Wentzville Middle School, 405 Campus Drive

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### **Saint Francois**

### **Bonne Terre**

9/29/2021: 8:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m., Unitec Career Center, 7163 Raider Road

### **Desloge**

9/20/2021: 2 p.m. - 6 p.m., First Baptist Church, 411 N Harding

### **Farmington**

9/14/2021: 2 p.m. - 6 p.m., First Baptist Church, 210 North A Street

9/17/2021: 10 a.m. - 2 p.m., Hefner Furniture & Appliance, 4850 US Hy 67

9/21/2021: 10 a.m. - 3 p.m., Parkland Health Center, 1101 West Liberty

9/24/2021: 12 p.m. - 6 p.m., New Heights Church, 4982 Flat River Road

9/26/2021: 8 a.m. - 12:30 p.m., St Joseph Catholic Church, 5 South Carleton

### **Park Hills**

9/24/2021: 8 a.m. - 2 p.m., Park Hills Central High School, 116 Rebel Drive

9/28/2021: 1:45 p.m. - 6 p.m., West County Elementary School, 625 Chariton Avenue

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## **Saint Louis**

### **Ballwin**

9/16/2021: 1:30 p.m. - 6 p.m., Selvidge Middle School, 235 New Ballwin Rd.

9/30/2021: 12 p.m. - 6 p.m., First Free Church, 1375 Carman Road

### **Bridgeton**

9/17/2021: 12 p.m. - 5 p.m., All Star Dodge Chrysler Jeep, 11503 St Charles Rock Rd

### **Chesterfield**

9/14/2021: 11:45 a.m. - 7 p.m., West County Blood Donation Center, 13369 Olive Blvd.

9/15/2021: 9 a.m. - 2 p.m., Bayer at The Doubletree By Hilton Chesterfield, 16625 Swingley Ridge Rd.

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## **Ellisville**

9/28/2021: 9 a.m. - 1 p.m., St Louis County Library - Daniel Boone Branch, 300 Clarkson Rd.

## **Eureka**

9/17/2021: 1 p.m. - 6 p.m., Eureka Community Center, 333 Bald Hill Road

## **Florissant**

9/15/2021: 11:30 a.m. - 6 p.m., Florissant Meadow's Shopping Center, 740 N. Highway 67

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## **Manchester**

9/28/2021: 1 p.m. - 6 p.m., The Manchester Police Department, 200 Highlands Boulevard Drive

## **Saint Louis**

9/14/2021: 7:45 a.m. - 2:45 p.m., South County Blood Donation Center, 9230 Watson Rd.

9/14/2021: 12 p.m. - 5 p.m., Drury Inn & Suites Brentwood, 8700 Eager Road

9/15/2021: 11 a.m. - 4 p.m., Salem UMC in Ladue, 1200 South Lindbergh Blvd.

9/15/2021: 12:15 p.m. - 7:30 p.m., South County Blood Donation Center, 9230 Watson Rd.

9/15/2021: 1 p.m. - 5 p.m., Cliff Cave Library, 5430 Telegraph Rd

9/16/2021: 12:15 p.m. - 7:30 p.m., South County Blood Donation Center, 9230 Watson Rd.

9/17/2021: 7:45 a.m. - 2:45 p.m., South County Blood Donation Center, 9230 Watson Rd.

9/18/2021: 7:45 a.m. - 3 p.m., South County Blood Donation Center, 9230 Watson Rd.

9/19/2021: 7:45 a.m. - 2:45 p.m., South County Blood Donation Center, 9230 Watson Rd.

9/20/2021: 12:15 p.m. - 7:15 p.m., South County Blood Donation Center, 9230 Watson Rd.

9/20/2021: 1 p.m. - 7 p.m., Mary Queen of Peace, 676 Lockwood Avenue

9/20/2021: 2 p.m. - 6 p.m., Zion United Methodist Church, 1603 Union Road

9/20/2021: 3 p.m. - 7 p.m., Hancock Place Elementary School, 9101 South Broadway

9/21/2021: 7:45 a.m. - 2:45 p.m., South County Blood Donation Center, 9230 Watson Rd.

9/21/2021: 2 p.m. - 6 p.m., Assumption Catholic Church, 4725 Mattis Rd.

9/22/2021: 12:15 p.m. - 7:30 p.m., South County Blood Donation Center, 9230 Watson Rd.

9/22/2021: 2 p.m. - 6 p.m., Mount Zion United Methodist Church, 1485 Craig Rd

9/23/2021: 8 a.m. - 12 p.m., Central Bank, 12218 Manchester Rd. Manchester

9/23/2021: 8:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m., Center of Clayton, 50 Gay Avenue

9/23/2021: 10 a.m. - 3 p.m., St Louis Area Chapter American Red Cross, 10195 Corporate Square

9/23/2021: 12:15 p.m. - 7:30 p.m., South County Blood Donation Center, 9230 Watson Rd.

9/24/2021: 7:45 a.m. - 2:45 p.m., South County Blood Donation Center, 9230 Watson Rd.

9/24/2021: 12 p.m. - 5 p.m., Saint Louis Galleria, 1417 Saint Louis Galleria

9/25/2021: 7:45 a.m. - 3 p.m., South County Blood Donation Center, 9230 Watson Rd.

9/26/2021: 7:45 a.m. - 2:45 p.m., South County Blood Donation Center, 9230 Watson Rd.

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9/30/2021: 12:15 p.m. - 7:30 p.m., South County Blood Donation Center, 9230 Watson Rd.

## **Webster Groves**

9/21/2021: 3:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m., Holy Redeemer Catholic Church, 17 Joy Ave

## **Wildwood**

9/21/2021: 2:30 p.m. - 6 p.m., LaSalle Springs Middle School, 3300 Highway 109

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## **Saint Louis City**

### **Saint Louis**

9/14/2021: 7:45 a.m. - 2:45 p.m., St Louis Blood Donation Center, 4050 Lindell Blvd

9/14/2021: 9 a.m. - 3 p.m., One Financial Plaza, 501 N Broadway

9/15/2021: 7 a.m. - 12 p.m., Barnes-Jewish Hospital, One Barnes Hospital Plaza, North South Link

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**9/25/2021: 10 a.m. - 2 p.m., Prince Hall Masons, 4525 Olive Street – In Memory of Ronicia Otey**

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## **Warren**

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9/28/2021: 1 p.m. - 6 p.m., Family Community Church, 806 S. Hwy 47

### ***Blood drive safety***

Each Red Cross blood drive and donation center follows the highest standards of safety and infection control, and [additional precautions](#) – including face masks for donors and staff, regardless of vaccination status – have been implemented to help protect the health of all those in attendance. Donors are asked to schedule an appointment prior to arriving at the drive.

### ***Health insights for donors***

At a time when health information has never been more important, the Red Cross is screening all blood, platelet, and plasma donations from self-identified African American donors for the sickle cell trait. This additional screening will provide Black donors with an additional health insight and help the Red Cross identify compatible blood types more quickly to help patients with sickle cell disease who require trait-negative blood. Blood transfusion is an essential treatment for those with sickle cell disease, and blood donations from individuals of the same race, ethnicity, and blood type have a unique ability to help patients fighting sickle cell disease.

Donors can expect to receive sickle cell trait screening results, if applicable, within one to two weeks through the Red Cross Blood Donor App and the online donor portal at [RedCrossBlood.org](https://RedCrossBlood.org).

### ***How to donate blood***

*Simply download the American Red Cross Blood Donor App, visit [RedCrossBlood.org](https://RedCrossBlood.org), call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or enable the Blood Donor Skill on any Alexa Echo device to make an appointment or for more information. All blood types are needed to ensure a reliable supply for patients. A blood donor card or driver's license or two other forms of identification are required at check-in. Individuals who are 17 years of age in most states (16 with parental consent where allowed by state law), weigh at least 110 pounds and are in generally good health may be eligible to donate blood. High school students and other donors 18 years of age and younger also have to meet certain height and weight requirements.*

*Blood and platelet donors can save time at their next donation by using RapidPass to complete their pre-donation reading and health history questionnaire online, on the day of their donation, before arriving at the blood drive. To get started, follow the instructions at [RedCrossBlood.org/RapidPass](https://RedCrossBlood.org/RapidPass) or use the Blood Donor App.*

### ***About the American Red Cross***

*The American Red Cross shelters, feeds and provides comfort to victims of disasters; supplies about 40% of the nation's blood; teaches skills that save lives; distributes international humanitarian aid; and supports veterans, military members and their families. The Red Cross is a not-for-profit organization that depends on volunteers and the generosity of the American public to deliver its mission. For more information, please visit [redcross.org](https://redcross.org) or [cruzrojaamericana.org](https://cruzrojaamericana.org), or visit us on Twitter at [@RedCross](https://twitter.com/RedCross).*