

American Red Cross Humanitarian Circle



"We just wanted to thank the Red Cross volunteers in Seabrook, Texas who came to help us after Hurricane Ike. Your volunteers are awesome and were a welcome sight many days when we were tired and hungry and they showed up with a warm dinner or lunch. They even fed workers we had hired to help get our house back in shape. We met wonderful people from Pennsylvania, Rhode Island and Washington State. Please pass on to these folks that their efforts were so appreciated. My husband and I have seen firsthand what the Red Cross does in times of disasters and we hope to be able to make a financial contribution in the near future. Thanks so much."

Dan and Kristi Richardson





Your compassion in action

Disaster Services

Nearly 200 times a day, the American Red Cross helps a family who's lost everything in a house fire or other disaster. When disaster strikes, Red Cross workers are among the first on the scene, providing food, shelter, supplies and hope. Red Cross nurses administer health care and licensed mental health practitioners provide emotional support. Red Cross workers also provide referrals to aid in disaster recovery.

Preparedness and Health and Safety Services

In communities across the country, the American Red Cross helps families, businesses, schools and organizations become safer and better prepared for disasters. The Red Cross provides training in first aid, CPR/AED, water safety, nursing assistance, babysitting and community disaster preparedness. Delivered to nearly 15 million people annually, these courses and presentations empower ordinary people to take extraordinary action in response to life's emergencies.

International Services

As part of the global network of more than 185 International Red Cross and Red Crescent partners, the American Red Cross helps provide immediate relief and supports community recovery following international disasters. The Red Cross helps reconnect families separated by disaster and assists communities with disaster planning and preparedness to minimize the effects of future disasters. Through its Measles Initiative partnership, the Red Cross is vaccinating children against measles, a deadly, yet preventable, disease. The organization also continues to educate people in the United States about International Humanitarian Law.

Service to the Armed Forces

The American Red Cross provides critical resources to 1.4 million active duty military personnel, more than 800,000 National Guard and Reservists, and veterans and their families. With a global network of volunteers and employees, the Red Cross provides the military with support—on the home front, on military installations throughout the world and alongside deployed service members in Afghanistan, Kuwait and Djibouti. Services include emergency communications that link them with their families back home; financial assistance in partnership with the military aid societies; assistance to veterans; and information and referrals.

Biomedical Services

The American Red Cross is the conduit through which some 4 million people give lifesaving blood, making the Red Cross the largest supplier of blood and blood products in the United States. Every two seconds, someone in America needs blood—accident victims, cancer patients, children with blood disorders. To meet this need, the Red Cross holds 600 blood drives across the country each day, resulting in 22,000 blood donations.







In 2011, the American Red Cross initiated the Red Cross Humanitarian Circle. This Circle recognizes individuals and families whose annual giving to the American Red Cross is at least \$10,000 and less than \$25,000.

Individuals, couples, families or family foundations may receive recognition as Humanitarian Circle donors. In the case of family or family foundation donors, the member may choose the individual or individuals who may receive the following recognition:

- Local Humanitarian Circle Celebration
- National Major Donors Summit
- National Update Calls on Significant Disasters
- American Red Cross Roll Call Donor List

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Please join us in giving

Victor's family was one of the first to arrive at the American Red Cross shelter when the flood waters began to rise this spring. Like other families to follow, his had been ordered to safety. At 13, Victor was eager to assist other families. He and his brothers helped Red Cross volunteers assemble hundreds of cots, so the next family that came through the door would have a place to call home until their community was safe once more.

Your annual gift as a Red Cross Leadership Society Member means that when the rain comes in torrents, a fire sweeps through someone's apartment building or a service member needs an urgent message from home—your Red Cross is there.



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