

How you can help

Donate

With a single donation, you can make a difference in your neighborhood and in communities around the world. The Red Cross is not a government agency; we need financial support to do our work. We rely on the generosity and willingness of businesses and individuals to help others in need. **To help, donate through your company's workplace giving campaign or make a gift at redcross.org.**

Take a Class

Take a class and know exactly what to do in an emergency. Red Cross classes help to save lives and empower people to respond to life-threatening emergencies—from drowning to heart attacks. Millions of people each year gain lifesaving skills—including first aid, CPR and the use of defibrillators—through their local Red Cross chapters. To find out more, visit redcross.org and use the “local Red Cross locator.”

Give Blood

Every two seconds, someone in the U.S. needs blood for medical emergencies or lifesaving treatment of chronic illnesses. More than 14,000 blood donations are needed daily and just one pint of blood can save as many as three lives. If you are interested in giving blood or hosting a blood drive at your workplace, please visit redcrossblood.org.

Volunteer

Make an impact in someone's life. Nearly 330,000 people give their time to make their neighbors safer by volunteering through the Red Cross. We train volunteers and empower communities with the skills they need to help themselves. Red Cross chapters nationwide need trained volunteers who can be mobilized when disaster strikes. Visit redcross.org/volunteer to find volunteer opportunities in your area.



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Mission

The American Red Cross prevents and alleviates human suffering in the face of emergencies by mobilizing the power of volunteers and the generosity of donors.

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**Preventing, Preparing and
Responding to Emergencies**



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How the Red Cross Helps Your Community

Every day, the Red Cross harnesses the very best of humanity to carry out our humanitarian mission. Our core services include:

Disaster Relief

We respond to some 66,000 domestic disasters annually, sheltering, feeding and comforting those affected.

Health and Safety

We empower more than 6.25 million people and businesses annually with lifesaving health, safety and preparedness skills.

Service to the Armed Forces

We support service members and their families during deployment and when they return home through emergency communication services, financial assistance programs, reintegration and veterans' services.

International Relief

Worldwide, the Red Cross network of more than 17 million active volunteers offers relief to vulnerable people and communities around the world.

Blood Collection

We are the single largest supplier of blood in the United States, providing more than 40 percent of the nation's blood supply.



Making an Impact Every Day

- **180** times a day, Red Cross workers help a family affected by a home fire or other disaster.
- **17,000** times a day, a person receives lifesaving Red Cross health and safety training, including emergency and first aid information from mobile app downloads.
- **965** times a day, the Red Cross provides services to military members, veterans and their families.
- **14,000** times a day, blood donated to the Red Cross is transfused to a patient.
- **371,000** times a day, a child receives a measles or rubella vaccination from the Red Cross and our partners.

Your Help Makes an Impact

\$1 vaccinates a child against measles.

\$5 provides one blanket for a disaster victim.

\$20 provides two hot meals (lunch and dinner) to a disaster victim.



\$150 provides supplies to support the needs of an infant for three days in a shelter.

\$335 deploys an emergency response vehicle to a disaster operation.

\$1,000 provides food and shelter to five families for one day in a shelter.



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