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Community Blood Bank Mobilizes Emergency Response due to Severe Winter Conditions

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Erie, PA – In response to the ongoing severe winter weather conditions, the Community Blood Bank has had to cancel 15 blood drives over the last week. The following Blood Drives are Cancelled for Friday, December 5th:

- University of Pittsburgh at Titusville
- Sheffield HS

These continued cancellations have put a massive strain on our local blood supply. The Erie Donor Center is open today from 8AM – 5PM. All Donors at this location will receive a \$5 Gift Card and a t-shirt. CBB is also urgently calling on residents that are safely able to travel to donate during the following emergency blood drive or visit us at the Erie Donor Center:

Corry Community Center

- December 6th, 2024
- 10am-2pm
- 2101 Nagle Rd, Erie, PA 16510
- All donors will be entered to win 4 tickets to the Pittsburgh Zoo

Park United Methodist Church

- December 6th, 2024
- 10am-2pm



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- 30 North Lake Street North East, PA 16428

Winter storms have caused widespread disruptions in transportation and led to the cancellation of numerous blood donation appointments, resulting in a significant shortfall of blood available for patients in need. **We are in a very urgent need for donors.** The Community Blood Bank will be accepting donors but advises that everyone is cautious and only travels if able to do so.

The Community Blood Bank is the sole supplier of blood and blood products to the region. As the need of our hospitals continue, the Community Blood Bank is working to maintain a safe blood supply. All blood types are needed, with an emphasis on type O blood, which meets the immediate needs of patients.

CBB will monitor the weather conditions and continue to provide updates on any changes.

CALL (814) 456-4206 TO SCHEDULE YOUR APPOINTMENT TO DONATE.

***Appointments are encouraged to reduce your wait time but are not required.
Walk-ins will be taken as space allows.***

Community Blood Bank partners with hospitals in Northwest Pennsylvania and Western New York to provide blood for patients in need. If you are at least 17 years of age, weigh a minimum of 110 pounds, and are in good general health, you may be eligible to donate blood. You must have a valid photo ID to donate. Prior to donating, those giving blood should eat a good, solid meal and drink at least 18 oz. of water. To learn more or to find a blood drive near you, visit www.fourhearts.org or call 877-842-0631.