

Tell Your Story: Collected from Donor Surveys

“Red Cross is first when disaster occurs.” –Anonymous

“Thru the co-ordination of Red Cross and Henry Ford Hospital I have been able to have friends and families donate blood designed for me for several surgeries. This really puts my mind at ease about elective surgery and not using emergency supplies of blood others may need. Also, my husband and son are fireman volunteers, for Monroe County. Several times the Red Cross has shown up with food and cold or warm drinks when they’ve been on a scene for long hours. Your support to our fireman is much appreciated!”

Anonymous

“We donate because the Red Cross provides wonderful services to our fellow human beings in need.” –

Anonymous

“It’s a worthy organization because it helps save lives.” –Anonymous

“There is no other service that does what the Red Cross does. ARC responds to immediate needs only and does not seek payment in return. No one is discriminated against for any reason. The public voluntarily supports and respects the Red Cross for the work they do.” –Jim Sherman

“I know about Red Cross as a youngster in the 20’s and 30’s. I saw some Red Cross activity during WWII at home and while in the service. I was in the Army in 1951 and helped a young soldier who needed an emergency furlough. He was turned down so some of us got in touch with the Red Cross. We explained the circumstances and the Red Cross was able to get the emergency furlough.” –Bruce A. Campbell

“I have donated more than 3 gallons of blood to the Red Cross in various parts of Michigan. I have contributed financial support over many years and still do. I am 83 years old so I don’t give blood and I am retired so I probably don’t contribute as much financially. I was sold on the Red Cross while in the Army and saw needy young men being helped to get emergency furloughs. Churches, pastors, and other home agencies didn’t seem to be able to get it done.” –Bruce A. Campbell

“I have a rare form of blood and began giving per request to go to Cleveland, Ohio to give blood during a surgery. I have had friends and relatives helped by the Red Cross during the depression and during WWII.” –Bonnie Doster

“I feel good when I donate blood. I know I’m helping people.” –Anonymous

“I believe in what Red Cross does. I have had experience with Red Cross in the United States of America, Korea, France, Germany, and Japan.” –Dr. George S. Quick

“I think the symbol of the Red Cross speaks volumes. Whenever there is an emergency you can always count on the Red Cross. I think people can take comfort in knowing there is help on the way.” –Anonymous

“My son was diagnosed with brain cancer. When he went for his surgery they opened the Toledo donor center so I could be his blood donor for his brain surgery. I’ve donated ever since.” –Anonymous

“I give blood because I am O negative and my grandmother and my Aunt Jan both were fortunate enough to receive blood when they were ill and needed it. I donate to give back and because my blood type is universal.” –
Suzanne Zorn