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Sign Up For City Blood Drive on January 28

The first of four blood drives hosted by the City this year will be from noon to 5 p.m. on Thursday, January 28, 2010 in the parking lot between the lawn bowling green and Paul Nelson Aquatics Center along South McClelland Street. The public is invited to sign up and join City and County employees to donate blood to United Blood Services.

All donors will receive a 4-ounce box of assorted See's chocolates.

Blood donation is a community responsibility. Donated blood can help a family member, a friend, a surgery patient, someone with cancer, a burn victim, or a newborn. Donating only takes a short time and is well worth it. Consider the need for blood:

- About 1 in 7 people entering a hospital need blood.
- More than 95 percent of Americans will have a relative or friend who will need blood.
- More than 75 percent of Americans reaching age 72 will require a blood transfusion sometime in their lifetimes.
- Blood is needed every three seconds (nation-wide).

To sign up as a donor with a reserved time, please contact City blood drive coordinator Mark van de Kamp at 925-0951 ext. 372.

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