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PASADENA POLICE BLOOD DRIVE HONORS OFFICERS

The Pasadena Community is Invited to Donate in Honor of Larry Candelari and Mike Huffman

WHAT: The Pasadena Police Department is hosting a blood drive on Tuesday, May 7, in honor of officers Larry Candelari and Mike Huffman. Candelari was killed and Huffman was severely injured on April 26 when they tried to help a stranded motorist and were struck by an 18-wheeler.

The Pasadena community is invited to show their support for the friends and family of both men by donating blood in their honor. By giving blood, the Pasadena community can help ensure that a healthy blood supply continues to be available for all in need, like officer Huffman. Every day, Gulf Coast Regional Blood Center must collect 1,000 donations to meet the needs of patients in our region.

Those who cannot attend the blood drive may donate in honor of the officers at the Pasadena Neighborhood Donor Center, 5124 Fairmont Parkway. All donations will benefit patients in the 26-county region served by Gulf Coast Regional Blood Center. No donor or patient receives any payment or credit for blood donations.

WHEN: Tuesday, May 7 – 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

WHERE: Pasadena Police Department
Community Room
1114 Davis St.
Pasadena, Texas 77506

To make an appointment, visit giveblood.org and click on Digital Donor or call 1(888) 482-5663.

ABOUT US: Gulf Coast Regional Blood Center is asking its donors to *Commit for Life*. It takes three steps: 1) Donate once per quarter; 2) allow The Blood Center to contact you; and 3) spread the word, encouraging others to *Commit for Life*. The Blood Center is the primary supplier of blood components to more than 170 hospitals and healthcare facilities in a 26-county Texas Gulf Coast region. Donors must be at least 17 years of age, weigh a minimum of 110 pounds and be in good general health. Individuals who are 16 years old, at least 122 pounds, in good general health and have parental consent also may be eligible to donate. Gulf Coast Regional Blood Center is an independent, non-profit blood center that is not affiliated with the American Red Cross.

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