



**Gulf Coast Regional  
Blood Center**  
*Commit for Life.*

# Media Alert

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## **BEFORE THE FIREWORKS, HELP SAVE LIVES JULY 3 AND 4**

### *Gulf Coast Regional Blood Center Observes Special Hours for Independence Day Holiday*

**WHAT:** Gulf Coast Regional Blood Center is observing special hours at Neighborhood Donor Centers on July 3 and July 4, Independence Day. Amidst the fun, fireworks and celebration of our nation's independence, blood donors are invited to visit one of the Neighborhood Donor Centers listed below to help save lives. Donations tend to slow down during holidays and the summer, but the need for more than 1,000 donations a day is ongoing. Every donor receives a health check. Those who *Commit for Life* and donate once a quarter help maintain a steady blood supply.

*Commit for Life* donors who successfully complete two donations or a single double red cell donation between May 1 and Aug. 31 will be eligible to order a Kroger gift card worth \$15 from the *Commit for Life* store. A handling fee of 200 *Commit for Life* store points applies.

#### **WHEN/**

**WHERE:** These Neighborhood Donor Centers will be open Friday, July 3.

<b>Bill T. Teague:</b>	<b>6 a.m. to 2 p.m.</b>
<b>Champions:</b>	<b>6 a.m. to 2 p.m.</b>
<b>Clear Lake:</b>	<b>7 a.m. to 3 p.m.</b>
<b>Conroe:</b>	<b>6 a.m. to 2 p.m.</b>
<b>Cy-Fair:</b>	<b>7 a.m. to 3 p.m.</b>
<b>Gulfgate:</b>	<b>7 a.m. to 3 p.m.</b>
<b>Humble:</b>	<b>6 a.m. to 2 p.m.</b>
<b>Katy:</b>	<b>8 a.m. to 4 p.m.</b>
<b>Pasadena:</b>	<b>6:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.</b>
<b>Pearland:</b>	<b>6 a.m. to 2 p.m.</b>
<b>Sugar Land:</b>	<b>7 a.m. to 3 p.m.</b>
<b>Westchase:</b>	<b>7 a.m. to 3 p.m.</b>
<b>The Woodlands:</b>	<b>6 a.m. to 2 p.m.</b>

These Neighborhood Donor Centers will be open Saturday, July 4.

<b>Bill T. Teague:</b>	<b>6 a.m. to 2 p.m.</b>
<b>Clear Lake:</b>	<b>7 a.m. to 3 p.m.</b>
<b>Cy-Fair:</b>	<b>7 a.m. to 3 p.m.</b>
<b>Humble:</b>	<b>6 a.m. to 2 p.m.</b>
<b>Pasadena:</b>	<b>6:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.</b>
<b>Westchase:</b>	<b>7 a.m. to 3 p.m.</b>

Visit [www.giveblood.org](http://www.giveblood.org) or call 1(888) 482-5663 to schedule your donation.

**ABOUT US:** Gulf Coast Regional Blood Center is asking its donors to *Commit for Life*. It takes three simple 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 health care facilities in a 25-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 their parents' consent also may donate.

The donation process is simple, taking only about one hour. Gulf Coast Regional Blood Center is an independent, nonprofit blood center that is not affiliated with the American Red Cross.

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