



Greater Kalamazoo Area Chapter
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September is National Preparedness Month

KALAMAZOO, MI, August 24, 2009 – As we celebrate the last summer holiday most of us will begin to fill our fall calendars with important dates and events to plan for. The Greater Kalamazoo Area Chapter of the American Red Cross asks you include preparedness activities in your family and personal schedules. Supporting blood donation is also an important part of community preparedness since hospitals need blood on the shelves to respond to patient need. Thank you for helping us by making an appointment to roll up your sleeves and help build and maintain America's blood supply.

Listed below are 38 blood drives in Allegan, Cass, Kalamazoo and St. Joseph Counties which are open to the public. 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. All donors need to present positive identification. To schedule an appointment to donate please call 1-800-GIVE-LIFE (1-800-448-3543) or visit www.redcrossmichigan.org for more information.

APPOINTMENT KEY

- * = appointments on e-donor: www.givelife.org
- + = appointments; call 1-800-448-3543
- o = appointments only; call ARC chapter @ 353-6180, ext. 0

Kalamazoo County

Tue., Sep. 1	Noon-5:45 pm	Gilmore Center for Health Ed. *
Thu., Sep. 3	Noon-5:45 pm	ARC Chapter, 5640 Venture Ct. Appt.only: 353-6180 ext. 0 "O" DRIVE
Thu., Sep. 3	11:30 am-5:15 pm	Kalamazoo Regional Edu. Service Agency, 1819 East Milham Rd.
Thu., Sep. 3	Noon-5:45 pm	Parkview Hills Clubhouse, 3707 Greenleaf Circle
Tue., Sep. 8	Noon-5:45 pm	Lawrence Ed. Center, 1701 Gull Rd.! +
Tue., Sep. 8	Noon-5:45 pm	St. Barnabas Episcopal Church, 929 E. Centre Street
Wed., Sep. 9	11 am-4:45 pm	ARC Chapter, 5640 Venture Ct. Appt.only: 353-6180 ext. 0
Wed., Sep. 9	10:15 am-4 pm	Skanska USA, 5250 Lovers Lane.
Saturday, Sep. 12	10:15 am-4 pm	Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, 1112 Drake Rd.
Sunday, Sep. 13	11 am-4:45 pm	Indo American Cultural Center & Temple , 2002 Ramona Ave.
Mon., Sep. 14	Noon-5:45 pm	Portage Community Center, 325 East Centre Ave. +
Tue., Sep. 15	Noon-5:45 pm	Second Christian Reformed Church, 3015 Nichols Road
Tue., Sep. 15	Noon-5:45 pm	Third Reformed Church, 2345 Tenth Street
Wed., Sep. 16	11 am-4:45 pm	WMU, Miller Auditorium *

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Thu., Sep. 17	1-6:45 pm	Hope Reformed Church, 910 Jenks Blvd.
Fri., Sep. 18	11 am-4:45 pm	Vicksburg United Methodist Church, 217 South Main Street. +
Saturday , Sep. 19	10:15 am-4 pm	New Apostolic Church, 2601 Kalarama,
Mon., Sep. 21	Noon-5:45 pm	Parchment United Methodist Church, 225 Glendale Blvd.
Mon., Sep. 21	Noon-5:45 pm	Westwood United Methodist Church, 538 Nichols Rd. +
Tue., Sep. 22	10:15 am-3 pm	Tender Care of Kalamazoo, 1701 South 11 th Street.
Wed., Sep. 23	2-7:45 pm	Haven Reformed Church, 5350 N. Sprinkle Rd.
Thu., Sep. 24	11 am-4:45 pm	WMU Bigelow Residence Hall. *
Thu., Sep. 24	1-6:45 pm	ARC Chapter, 5640 Venture Ct. Appt. only: 353-6180 ext. 0
Saturday , Sep. 26	10:15 am-4 pm	Lawrence Ed. Center, 1701 Gull Rd. +
Mon., Sep. 28	10:15 am-4 pm	Radisson Plaza Hotel & Suites, 100 West Michigan Ave. *
Mon., Sep. 28	1-6:45 pm	Third Christian Reformed Church, 2400 Winchell Avenue
Tue., Sep. 29	1-6:45 pm	Prince of Peace Lutheran Church, 1747 West Milham Ave.

Allegan County – September 2009

Wed., Sep. 2	Noon-5:45 pm	United Church of Wayland, 411 Superior, Wayland.
Saturday , Sep. 5	10 am-3:45 pm	Sandy Pines, 2745 136 th Ave., Hopkins
Wed., Sept. 16	Noon-5:45 pm	Golden Orchards, 2464 55 th Street, Fennville
Thu., Sep. 17	Noon-5:45 pm	Hamilton Reformed Church, 3554 M-40, Hamilton
Fri., Sep. 18	Noon-5:45 pm	St. Peter's Lutheran Church, 4125 18 th Street, Dorr
Wed., Sep. 23	Noon-5:45 pm	Borgess Pipp Health Center, 411 Naomi Street, Plainwell
Thu., Sep. 24	Noon-5:45 pm	Griswold Memorial Auditorium, 401 Hubbard St., Allegan

Cass County – September 2009

Tue., Sep. 22	1:00-6:45 pm	St. Ann Catholic Church, 421 N. Broadway, Cassopolis
Mon., Sep. 28	1:00-6:45 pm	American Legion, US-12 in Edwardsburg.

St Joseph County – September 2009

Wed., Sep. 2	11 am-4:45 pm	The Women's Center, 1001 Walker St., Sturgis
Wed., Sep. 23	Noon-5:45 pm	Colon Fire Department , 1063 East M-86, Colon

About the American Red Cross: The American Red Cross shelters, feeds and counsels victims of disasters; provides nearly half of the nation's blood supply; teaches lifesaving skills; and supports military members and their families. The Red Cross is a charitable organization – not a government agency- and depends on volunteers and the generosity of the American public to perform its humanitarian mission. For more information on the Greater Kalamazoo Area Chapter of the American Red Cross, please visit www.greaterkzooedcross.org.

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