



A Not-For-Profit
Community-Supported
Blood Bank

03/07/2006

Julie Platt: communityrelations@scbb.org
941.954.1600 ext. 272

NEWS RELEASE
Blood Supplies at Critical Level
NR#06-07

Today local blood supplies are at a critical level. Suncoast Communities Blood Bank is operating at a half day supply of types B-positive and B-negative. The Blood Bank is also operating at less than a 2 day supply of blood types A and O. Suncoast Communities Blood Bank is asking all eligible blood donors and those interested in donating to visit one of our blood center locations or a bloodmobile to donate blood within the next 24 hours. The supply need is critical to the operation of the hospitals within Sarasota, Charlotte and DeSoto Counties to adequately meet the needs of our community.

The following Suncoast Communities Blood Bank locations and bloodmobiles are open today (03-07-06) and tomorrow (03-08-06) for blood donations:

1760 Mound Street
Sarasota
Hours: 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

1097 N. Tamiami Trail
Nokomis
Hours: 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

710 N. Brevard Avenue
Arcadia
Hours: 1:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Sarasota Memorial Hospital Blood Drive
Main Auditorium
Dates: March 7th-9th from 7:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.

There are other blood drives scheduled for the remainder of the week. For more information about the bloodmobile schedule or how to make a blood donation please visit www.scbb.org. Please call 866-954-1600 ext 240 to schedule an appointment or feel free to walk in to our locations and bloodmobiles.

1760 Mound Street
Sarasota, FL 34236-7761

1097 N. Tamiami Trail
Nokomis, FL 34275-2163

710 N. Brevard Avenue
Arcadia, FL 34266-8778

941.954.1600 ext. 272
communityrelations@scbb.org
www.scbb.org