



A Not-For-Profit Community-Supported Blood Bank

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Sarasota Memorial Hospital in Critical Blood Need

Sarasota- Sarasota Memorial Hospital is at unprecedented full capacity resulting in a critical blood shortage at their hospital. In response, Suncoast Communities Blood Bank is issuing a critical blood alert. The public is urged to donate within the next 24 to 36 hours to help sustain the blood needs of SMH. Four open heart surgeries are scheduled between this evening and tomorrow and there is no O negative blood, which is primarily used for trauma. Sarasota Memorial Hospital has also issued an appeal to its employees to donate blood.

Suncoast Communities Blood Bank urges the community to help the hospital by donating blood at the main locations and bloodmobiles listed below, now through Monday.

Main Locations Open Saturday

1760 Mound Street	Sarasota	8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
1097 N. Tamiami Trail	Nokomis	8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
710 N. Brevard Avenue	Arcadia	9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Bloodmobile Schedule

Saturday

- Sarasota Memorial Hospital off Waldemere Street directly behind the hospital
Noon to 4:00 p.m.
- Publix at the Shoppes of North Port 14879 Tamiami Trail, North Port
9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
- Bennigans Midtown Plaza 1277 S. Tamiami Trail, Sarasota
5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Sunday

- Ascension Lutheran Church 800 McIntosh Road, Sarasota
9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Monday

- 1760 Mound Street Sarasota 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.
- 1097 N. Tamiami Trail Nokomis 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.
- University Park Country Club 3671 Park Blvd. 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
- Sarasota County Environmental Services 1001 Sarasota Central Boulevard Sarasota
1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

For more information please call 1-866-97Blood or visit www.scbb.org.

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