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Everyone in Flagler can ‘Be a Hero’

July 10, 2017 – Everyone in Flagler County will have the opportunity to “Be a Hero” by donating a pint of blood during a two-week tribute to first responders sponsored by OneBlood, known by its Big Red Bus.

Flagler County Fire Station 92 – located at the Flagler Executive Airport, 130 Airport Road – will host the first of five blood drives within the county from noon to 5 p.m. July 17.

Additional blood drives will be held at the following locations: 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. July 19 at the City of Bunnell, 201 W. Moody Boulevard; 10:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. July 20 at the Flagler County Sheriff’s Operations Center, 901 E. Moody Boulevard; 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. July 21 at Palm Coast Fire Department Station 25, 1250 Belle Terre Parkway; and, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. July 24 at the Flagler County Emergency Operations Center, 1769 E. Moody Blvd., Building 3.

“We are pleased to be part of this event,” said Flagler County Fire Chief Don Petito. “Our firefighter-paramedics know what a crucial part of saving lives these blood drives are.”

Blood is the only non-manufactured life-sustaining product. It cannot be reproduced.

“A few of you may be familiar with our ‘Guns and Hoses’ competitive blood drive,” said Danielle Summa, the Volusia/Flagler OneBlood account representative. “We decided to change it up and make it a community event, now being called ‘Be a Hero.’”

Those who donate blood will receive a T-shirt and a wellness check-up that includes blood pressure, pulse, temperature, iron count, and cholesterol screening.

Walk-ins are welcome, but appointments can be made online at www.oneblooddonor.org.

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