
Mission Statement

The American Red Cross, a humanitarian organization led by volunteers, guided by its Congressional Charter and the Fundamental Principles of the International Red Cross Movement, will provide relief to victims of disasters and help people prevent, prepare for and respond to emergencies.

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Allen County Chapter



*July 1, 2007 - June 30, 2008
Report to the Community*

*Serving Allen and
Auglaize Counties*

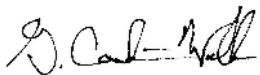
Message from Leadership

Fiscal year 2008 contained some very exciting changes for the Allen County Chapter. In addition to Auglaize County Red Cross becoming a branch chapter, the Hardin County Red Cross became a branch chapter as well. The collaboration of Allen, Auglaize and Hardin Red Cross offices ensures a standardization of services across the three counties. We are very excited about the partnership and appreciate the support and efforts from volunteers and staff of all three counties.

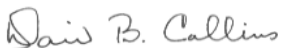
We continue to work with our Regional Chapter, the Greater Toledo Area Chapter, to provide valuable Red Cross services. The National Red Cross experienced a significant restructuring during this fiscal year resulting in more responsibilities being shifted to the Regional and Community Chapters. This has had a positive effect with a renewed focus on delivery of services at the local level.

The Blood Services program of the Allen County Chapter experienced a very positive year and the chapter was recognized as one of the "Top Five" chapters in the Indiana-Ohio Blood Region. We also stayed very busy delivering Health and Safety training and classes, providing service to our military and their families, and assisting the community through disaster services. All of the Red Cross services provided in our three-county area are the result of dedicated staff members and volunteers.

We extend our appreciation to our volunteers, blood donors, financial donors, employees and business partners for making FY 08 an excellent year for the Allen County Chapter and the community we serve.



Cart Webb, Chapter Chairman



David B. Collins, Executive Director

The Red Cross in Our Community

Disaster Relief and Community Disaster Education
When a disaster threatens or strikes, the Red Cross is there. This year we responded to 68 local disasters, including 60 residential fires. We helped 371 affected individuals with emergency food, shelter and supplies.

Because being prepared can make your family and community safer and sometimes minimize injury and destruction, we made 1,678 individuals in the community with disaster education materials.

Health and Safety Services
From first aid, CPR and AED training to swimming and lifeguarding, American Red Cross programs help people lead safer and healthier lives. This year, 6,044 individuals learned lifesaving skills through classes offered by the chapter.

International Services
As part of the world's largest humanitarian network, the American Red Cross alleviates the suffering of victims of war, disaster and other international crises, and works with other Red Cross and Red Crescent societies to improve chronic, life-threatening conditions in developing nations. We reconnect families separated by emergencies and educate the American public about international humanitarian law.

Armed Forces Emergency Services
The American Red Cross provides communication between those in the Armed Forces and their families. We have a worldwide network that reaches service members wherever they are to communicate a birth, death or illness. This year we provided emergency connections for 210 military families.

Blood Services
Every two seconds, someone in the United States needs blood. Thanks to generous blood donors, the Red Cross collects and distributes nearly half the nation's blood supply. Over the last year, we helped run 121 blood drives, collecting 5,036 units of blood.

Community Services
A Note About Volunteers
We depend on volunteers of all ages and backgrounds to carry on our work. Volunteers constitute 97 percent of our total workforce, serving as members of the board, instructors teaching lifesaving skills, disaster action team members, office administrators, event organizers and more.

This year, 128 registered volunteers working in various departments contributed 5,123 hours. Red Cross services depend on our volunteers.

Statement of Financial Position For the Year Ending June 30, 2008

ENDING NET ASSETS	\$986,179
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Statement of Activities

TOTAL CONTRIBUTIONS, REVENUES AND GAINS	\$587,949
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Expenses and Losses

Program Services	
Armed Forces Emergency Services	48,796
Disaster Services	148,581
Blood Services	101,865
Health Services	218,812
Total Program Services	\$518,054

Membership and Fund Raising	55,299
Management and General	93,950

TOTAL EXPENSES AND LOSSES	\$667,303
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