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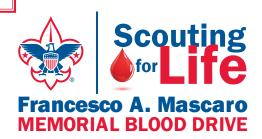
BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA® CRADLE OF LIBERTY COUNCIL



## **Scouting for Life Community Service Initiative Report**

A collaboration between J.P. Mascaro & Sons, the American Red Cross and the Cradle of Liberty Council, Boy Scouts of America

April to August, 2014



# 2014 Report

The Cradle of Liberty Council, Boy Scouts of America, launched a new community service initiative for the spring and summer of 2014 called "Scouting for Life." The council mobilized its network of youth and adult members, their families and community supporters in order to maximize participation in the Francesco A. Mascaro Memorial Blood Drive and assist the American Red Cross in saving lives.



A core tenet of Scouting is giving back to the community, so it was a great fit for the Cradle of Liberty Council to participate in a blood donation drive to honor Frank "The Chief" Mascaro, who spent his entire life giving back to the community.

In partnership with J.P. Mascaro & Sons and the American Red Cross, the Cradle of Liberty Council coordinated and conducted 12 blood drives throughout its territory of Montgomery, Delaware and Philadelphia Counties. The drives were held during the last three weekends of August, a high-demand time of the year for blood donations.

The council was able to secure commitments from 527 people to give blood through the efforts of a core volunteer committee led by council executive board member Peter Walts along with hundreds of Scouts and adult leaders. More than 750 potential donors were identified and actively engaged to participate.

Between the 12 council-organized drives and commitments made to donate at other locations, 479 pints (and counting) were collected. This represents up to 1,437 lives saved.

The Cradle of Liberty Council is very proud to have been able to honor The Chief's memory along with the Mascaro Family and many other organizations and to continue to make a positive impact in the communities it serves.



### **Scouting For Life Blood Drive Dates & Locations**

Date	Location	No. Blood Donations
Friday, August 15, 2014	Shepherd of the Hills Church, Bechtelsville	23
Saturday, August 16, 2014	Shepherd of the Hills Church, Bechtelsville	22
	Germantown YMCA/GLEC, Philadelphia	22
	Willow Grove Giant Community Room, Willow Grove	54
Saturday, August 23, 2014	Our Mother of Good Counsel Parish, Bryn Mawr	43
	Little Zion Lutheran Church, Telford	34
Sunday, August 24, 2014	American Legion Post #10, Fort Washington	51
	Ridley Area YMCA, Secane	39
	Firestone Scouting Resource Center, Wayne	35
	Old Mill, Rose Valley	34
	Amtrak 30th Street Station, Philadelphia	18
Saturday, August 30, 2014	Deer Meadows Retirement Community, Philadelphia	27
	Commitments for other Red Cross Drives	77
	TOTAL	479

#### Promotion

No. Scouting Units Committed to Promote:	171
No. Scouts Committed to Promote:	
No. Adult Leaders Committed to Promote:	356

Scouts, their families, adult leaders, and community supporters were encouraged to provide service in several ways:

- By promoting the drive to family, friends, colleagues, business associates, and the community-at-large and securing blood donor commitments.
- By giving blood (Scouts 17 years old or 16 with parental consent were able to donate).
- By volunteering at a drive location.

#### Council-Wide Promotion Plan:

- Scout Patch Contest
- Scouting Unit Promotion Guide
- Donor Commitment Cards
- Letter-size Fliers
- Tabloid-size Posters
- Website: colbsa.org/blooddrive

- Donor page on redcrossblood.org
- Electronic Newsletter Feature Articles
- Email Blasts
- Facebook & Twitter Posts
- Press Releases
- Digital Billboards



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- Life/Mascaro Memorial Blood Drive locations\* Find the drive where you'd like to donate and click on the link "Click here to schedule an
- appointment to donate" You will be asked to login or register. Click on

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**Donation Form** 

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