



Blood Donation is an Essential Healthcare Activity

Donating blood saves lives every day and is vital to the health of our community, especially during times of crisis and the current pandemic. The top priority of Vitalant is the safety of our donors, volunteers, employees and blood recipients.

FEMA Administrator Pete Gaynor, March 19, 2020

“Donating blood is a safe process and people should not hesitate to give. Just as the social distancing guidance recommends that it’s okay for people to leave home for necessities like groceries, or a doctor’s visit, or the pharmacy— donating blood is a necessity.”

Dr. Jerome Adams, United States Surgeon General, March 23, 2020

“Social distancing doesn't have to mean social disengagement. The CDC encourages people who are well to continue to donate blood if they are able. The CDC is supporting blood centers by providing recommendations that will keep donors and staff safe.”

California Governor Gavin Newsom, September 4, 2020

“Blood donation is critically important to ensure our hospitals have the supplies they need to give life-saving care to patients. I encourage every eligible Californian to support their community by being a blood donor.”

America’s Blood Centers, October 19, 2020

“Blood collection organizations adhere to the highest standards of safety and infection control, and donors are needed to help save lives.”