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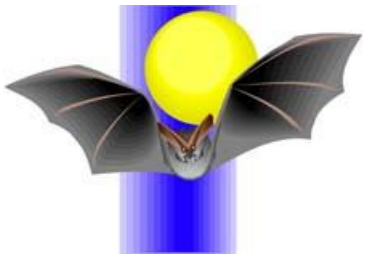
# AMERICAN RED CROSS



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## Donors needed at OWASA's annual Halloween Blood Drive

On Friday, October 29th, the Orange Water and Sewer Authority, Anna Maria's and the American Red Cross will sponsor a Halloween Blood Drive from 11 AM to 3 PM in the Community Room at the OWASA Administration Building, 400 Jones Ferry Road, Carrboro.

"Halloween is always a time for fun and mischief, but it can also be a time for giving the gift of life through donating blood," said Ms. Caroline Allison, American Red Cross Donor Recruitment Representative for the Carolinas Blood Services Region. She emphasized that "There is still a need for all blood types, particularly O negative and O positive."

To participate in a blood drive, donors must be at least 17 years old (or 16 years old with parental consent), weigh at least 110 pounds (donors under 19 years old will have to meet certain height and weight requirements), be in general good health and have photo identification.

Anna Maria's and OWASA will provide food for the blood drive. Presenting donors will also be eligible to win a pair of roundtrip Delta Airline Tickets.

**For more information or to schedule an appointment**, please contact Ms. Kelly Chapman of OWASA at 537-4370 or kchapman@owasa.org. Getting an appointment will make the donation process faster for everyone who participates. Walk-ins are welcome after noon.

Information is also available from the American Red Cross at 1-800-RED CROSS.

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