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Bloodworks responding to Las Vegas ShootingSupport for treatment and recovery of victims

Seattle, WA -- This morning Bloodworks communicated with United Blood Services (UBS) in Las Vegas to offer emergency blood components for medical treatment of people injured in the horrific shooting on Sunday night. UBS advised that while their immediate hospital requirements are being met, additional supplies will be needed.

"We know that a large number of patients will need treatment and ongoing care," said James P. AuBuchon, MD, president and CEO of Bloodworks. "We expect to be called upon, and stand ready to assist immediately with emergency shipments."

"At times like this, people want to make a difference. We're urging local donors who have not donated recently -- regulars and first-timers -- to help us build strong local inventories by donating this week so we can be ready to respond when shipments to Las Vegas are needed to help victims of this tragedy." Donors can schedule an appointment at schedule.bloodworksNW.org or by calling 1-800-398-7888.

Responding to emergencies (whether local or national) requires blood that is already collected, tested, on the shelves and ready for immediate use. When disasters happen and emergency transfusions are required, the need is acute for most-common Type O blood, platelets and universal AB plasma.

"While our primary mission supports local patients, when catastrophes happen we do whatever we can to help -- even when local supplies are as tight as they've been in recent weeks," AuBuchon said. "Whether the need is local or somewhere else, we need to be able to respond instantly -- and for that we need stronger inventories all the time.

Donors can also can check online at <u>bloodworksnw.org</u> to find dates and times of mobile drives close to where they live or work.

BloodworksNW Donor Centers

- Bellevue Center
 1807 132nd Avenue NE
 Bellevue, WA 98005
 425-453-4011
- Bellingham Center
 410 W Bakerview Rd., Suite 117
 Bellingham, WA 98226
 360-671-8848
- Central Seattle
 921 Terry Avenue
 Seattle, WA 98104
 206-292-6500
- Everett Center
 2703 Oakes Avenue
 Everett, WA 98201
 425-740-2909
- Federal Way Center

 1414 S 324TH Street

 Suite B101

 Federal Way, WA 98003

 253-945-8660
- Lynnwood Center
 19723 Highway 99, Suite F
 Lynnwood, WA 98036
 425-412-1000

- Olympia Center
 1220 Eastside Street SE
 Olympia, WA 98501
 360-596-3950
- North Seattle Center
 10357 Stone Avenue N
 Seattle, WA 98133
 206-526-1970
- Silverdale Center
 3230 NW Randall Way
 Silverdale, WA 98383
 360-308-7340
- <u>Tukwila Center</u>
 130 Andover Park E
 Tukwila, WA 98188
 206-241-6300
- Vancouver, WA Donor Center
 9320 NE Vancouver Mall Blvd, Suite100
 Vancouver, WA 98662
 360-567-4800
- <u>Lane Blood Center</u>
 2211 Willamette St
 Eugene, OR 97405
 541-484-9111

About BloodworksNW

Bloodworks (formerly Puget Sound Blood Center) is backed by 70 years of Northwest history and 250,000 donors. It is local, nonprofit, independent, volunteer-supported and community-based. A recognized leader in transfusion medicine, Bloodworks serves patients in more than 90 hospitals in Washington, Oregon and Alaska — partnering closely with local hospitals to deliver the highest level of patient care. Comprehensive services include blood components, complex cross-matching, specialized lab services for organ transplants, care for patients with blood disorders, and collection of cord blood stem cells for cancer treatment. Bloodworks Research Institute performs leading-edge research in blood biology, transfusion medicine, blood storage and treatment of blood disorders. Patients with traumatic injuries, undergoing surgeries or organ transplantation, or receiving treatment for cancer and blood disorders all depend on our services, expertise, laboratories and research. For more information, visit bloodworksnw.org