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When father and daughter meet

Your support of the American Red Cross made it possible



Adam Barnham was serving with the Army in Iraq when his wife Ashley went into labor two weeks before her due date. While the family had planned for Adam's return home in advance, the early birth of his baby girl took everyone by surprise. "The Red Cross was very helpful in taking our information and contacting Adam after the baby was born," says Rebecca, Adam's mother. Five days after his daughter's birth, Adam met little Alyssa for the first time at the airport.

Twenty-four hours a day, 365 days a year, the Red Cross sends emergency communications to deployed service members on behalf of their families. The service gives military members peace of mind knowing that when they are on a mission, in training or stationed far from home — and leaving cell phones and emails behind — they are still connected to home. Last year 478 emergency communications were sent on behalf of local residents, more than one a day, to local armed forces members serving away from home.

"This Red Cross service is extremely important," says Rebecca. "I'm very grateful that you were able to help."

Left: Adam Barnham meets five-day-old daughter Alyssa at the airport after the American Red Cross informed him of her early arrival.

Local home fire statistics spur a Red Cross, Columbus Apartment Association Partnership

The Columbus Apartment Association (CAA) has joined us as our latest Save the Day sponsor. Funded through the Association's Foundation, their donation of \$10,000 helps **Save the Day** for families who experience home fires by providing financial assistance, shelter and other assistance. After learning that 33% (174) of the

local fires we responded to last year were apartments or multi-family dwellings, CAA decided to take their sponsorship further. The association's membership consists of developers and apartment complex owners and managers that represent 104,000 units. Thanks to this partnership, residents in these units will see information about fire safety and

other preparedness programs of the Red Cross. Thank you, Columbus Apartment Association, for helping us **Save the Day**.








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Your Red Cross IMPACT
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-  Medical trips for seniors..... **7,540**
-  Families assisted after fires..... **226**
-  Financial assistance provided to disaster victims..... **\$69,821**
-  Individuals trained in CPR/First Aid **8,480**
-  Emergency messages conveyed on behalf of military families..... **262**

Disaster Relief & Preparedness
Service to Military Families
International Tracing Services
CPR & First Aid Training • First Aid Services Team
Water Safety Instruction • Blood Services
Community Transportation

Disaster Recovery Kits
to benefit local families

Members of the Red Cross Tiffany Circle, a society of women leaders and philanthropists, gathered together earlier this month to package disaster recovery kits for local families who experience a home fire. This is a new project for the group, representing an extension of the support each member already gives to the Red Cross. Tiffany members and their families assembled 250 kits. "As a group we wanted to undertake a project that would help local families," said Sheri Tackett, chair of the local Tiffany Circle. "No family should be without these essential safety items and we are happy to be able to provide them to families who have lost so much."

