



**American  
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of Greater Columbus

# **NEWS ADVISORY**

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## **Check Out the “Hoop Action” At Saturday’s 3 on 3 Basketball Tournament In Circleville**

**July 26, 2007** – The American Red Cross in Pickaway County is hosting its’ sixth annual 3 on 3 double elimination basketball tournament in downtown Circleville on Saturday, July 28<sup>th</sup>. Hoop action begins at 9 am on the streets of Circleville for this “playground style” tournament for all ages and abilities. Team registration is closed, but the public is invited to attend. Proceeds from the tournament help support the American Red Cross in Pickaway County’s programs including disaster relief assistance and health and safety training. This year organizers hope to raise \$16,000 during the event. Visit [columbus.redcross.org](http://columbus.redcross.org) for more information.

The American Red Cross of Greater Columbus is dedicated to helping make families and communities safer at home and around the world. Sustained by over 700 volunteers, the Red Cross provides assistance to nearly 500 families each year after home fires and other disasters strike. Last year the organization trained and educated more than 113,000 area residents in vital lifesaving skills like first aid, CPR and how to prepare for emergencies. The Red Cross also sent more than 800 emergency messages between members of the military and their families. The community transportation program provides rides to medical appointments for seniors and individuals with disabilities, logging nearly 17,000 trips last year. All these programs and more are made possible by the donations of time and money from the greater Columbus community.

Michael Carroll is the CEO of the American Red Cross of Greater Columbus and Michael Schoedinger serves as the board chair.

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