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Boy saved with CPR

Maureen Bosart, a nurse with Franklin County Children Services (FCCS), has been Red Cross CPR certified for over twenty-five years. This training saved a life one weekend while she was at work. Scanning the pool at a weekend retreat with FCCS youth, she realized a boy was unconscious underwater. Bosart instinctively went into rescue mode. "Saving a life is second nature, it just comes to you," recalls Bosart on administering CPR. She first checked for the teen's heart beat and pulse and then began mouth-to-mouth resuscitation. Within seconds, the boy was revived. In the 25 years she has been certified, this was the first time she needed to use that skill. Had she not been trained, the situation could have had a much different outcome.

Bosart's story is a sound reminder of why being certified in American Red Cross CPR and first aid is imperative for all, you never know when you will need the skills. American Red Cross training includes CPR and first aid certifications, as well as learn-to-swim lessons, babysitter training and more. Your support of the Red Cross supports this lifesaving training.



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Limited Time: CPR and First Aid Discount

Through May 14th, register for a regular price CPR or First Aid course and bring a family member with you for only \$20 more. Call 614.251.1444 to register. Use discount code: DONOR.

800 tornadoes reported every year in Ohio Be Red Cross Ready

Severe weather threatens Central Ohio every year. Tornadoes can and do strike our area, but flooding and flash flooding is also a major concern. On June 14, 1990, four inches of rain fell over a two-hour period in Shadyside, Ohio producing a 30-foot high wall of water flowing down the Ohio River. This storm killed 26 people and caused \$6-8 million in damages.

Even six inches of fast-moving flood water can knock you off your feet, and a depth of two feet will float your car! **NEVER** try to walk, swim, or drive through such swift water. If you come upon flood waters, **STOP! TURN AROUND AND GO ANOTHER WAY.**

It's important to be prepared for severe weather from tornadoes to floods and severe thunderstorms. We are partnering with WBNS-10TV and the United Way of Central Ohio to get this

preparedness information to all residents. Visit www.10TV/health to find out how you can have your disaster plan and supply list e-mailed to you and how you can get a free first aid kit.



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The American Red Cross, a humanitarian organization led by volunteers and guided by its Congressional Charter and the Fundamental Principles of the International Red Cross Movement, will provide relief to victims of disasters and help people prevent, prepare for, and respond to emergencies.

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Your Red Cross IMPACT

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-  Medical trips for seniors..... **10,895**
-  Families assisted after fires..... **353**
-  Financial assistance provided to disaster victims..... **\$141,449**
-  Individuals trained in CPR/First Aid **15,008**
-  Emergency messages conveyed on behalf of military families..... **384**

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

Grant provides transportation for seniors

The Osteopathic Heritage Foundations (OHF) awarded the Red Cross Community Transportation Program a \$48,047 grant for the purchase of a handicapped accessible lift van. This van will complete 2,900 trips annually, expanding service and transporting more people to medical appointments who otherwise would find transportation difficult or not available. Additionally, replacing an aging van that was nearing service limits, the new vehicle will save thousands of dollars in repair and maintenance.



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“The Red Cross is commended for its efforts to improve the health and quality of life in our community,” stated Terri Donlin Huesman, OHF’s Director of Programs. “The Foundation is proud of its support and partnership over the past 10 years.”

OHF supports osteopathic medical education and medical research as well as health and quality of life issues for vulnerable populations in central and southeastern Ohio. They have granted more than \$630,000 to the Red Cross since 1999.

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