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Warren County Planning Blood Drives

With so many people looking to step up and lend a hand, the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders and local leaders are working with the American Red Cross to set up multiple blood drive locations around the County.

“We are living in challenging times and the resilience and generosity of Warren County residents never ceases to amaze me,” said Freeholder Jason J. Sarnoski, a long-term Red Cross volunteer and former board member of the organization. “People are in desperate need for life-saving blood and the residents of Warren County want to step up to help provide it. I can’t thank everyone who stepped up to make this possible enough,” he added.

Drives are scheduled for Blairstown and Independence, with a third one being planned in Phillipsburg.

The **Blairstown Community Drive** will be Monday, April 27 from 12:30-5:30 p.m. in the Blairstown Elementary School gymnasium, with a goal of collecting 36 pints. To register, go to www.redcrossblood.org/give.html/drive-results?zipSponsor=blairstown.

The **Independence Township Drive** will take place Friday, May 15 from 10 a.m.-3 p.m. at Independence Volunteer Fire Department, also with a goal of 36 points. To register, visit www.redcrossblood.org/give.html/drive-results?order=DATE&range=10&zipSponsor=independencetwp.

Sarnoski also thanked Blairstown Mayor Stephen Lance and Independence Mayor Robert Giordano for their help in scheduling the blood drives in their communities.

To support social distancing, appointments are now required. With thousands of blood drives cancelled during the COVID-19 pandemic, the American Red Cross is working hard to open new donation sites.

Blood drive safety guidelines from the American Red Cross [are available here](#).

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