



Blood Drive

Dear Brethren,

Every minute of every day, someone in Canada needs life saving blood. In fact, recent polls have shown that 52 per cent of Canadians have needed blood or have had a family member that has needed blood products for surgery or medical treatment.

You can make a difference by supporting Canada Blood Services (CBS) through the Patterson Grey Blood Drive.

Please join me, members of Patterson Grey Lodge and other Toronto area Masons in helping CBS to continue to provide critical blood products to thousands of Canadians in need. Together, we can save lives.

Thank you. I look forward to your support.

Bro. Mugur Padure, Chairman, Blood Donations Committee Patterson Grey Lodge No. 265 e. mugur.padure@sympatico.ca Masons can support CBS in various ways.

Donating whole blood

1. You can donate blood at a time or place that is convenient for you. Information about when and where a blood donation clinic will be organized in your area of residence or business can be found on the CBS website at **www.bloodservices.ca** or by sending an email to Bro. Mugur Padure.

When giving blood, please mention that you are a Mason, and ask that your donation be registered under the code **MASO010395**.

If you are able to donate blood, please report your donation to Bro. Padure at the next lodge meeting that follows. This will help us accurately tally our donation count within our lodge members.

2. If you would like to participate in donating blood in an organized group of Masons, please email Bro. Mugur Padure. If there are enough people interested in donating blood as a group, then a date, time and place will be proposed. Alternatively, you may elect to join a mobile clinic that is already being organized by the TDVD.

Donating your time

If your health, religion or your age prevents you from donating blood, you can volunteer by donating your time at a blood donation clinic (i.e., helping donors know where to go in the clinic and are comfortable during the donation process)

If you are interested in volunteering, Please contact Bro. Mugur Padure to initiate the registration process.

Donating money

If you prefer to donate money (any amount), you can do so by filling out the printable CBS Mail-in or Fax-in Gift Form found **here** or you can call 1-888-2DONATE with a major Credit Card to make a financial contribution.

In an effort to make a collective donation from our lodge, Brethren can also submit their financial contribution directly to Bro. Mugur.

Other types of donations

If you are interested to learn about other ways to donate (i.e., specialized types of donations such as plasma, platelets and stem cells) please contact Brother Mugur Padure.

Together, we can save lives...



Clinic Information

<u>Date</u>: TBD <u>Timeline</u>: TBD <u>Location</u>: TBD

Useful Information

Eligibility:

Before you sign-up, please ensure that you meet the <u>eligibility</u> <u>criteria.</u>

Expectations:

The donation experience is outlined **here**.

FAQ:

The most Frequently Asked Questions are answered **here**.

Tips:

Please ensure to eat and drink plenty of water on the morning of donating blood. You will also be requested to present your ID.