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### MORE THAN 600 PINTS OF BLOOD COLLECTED AT PADRES 8<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL SUMMER BLOOD DRIVE

**SAN DIEGO (May 7, 2024)** More than 600 pints of blood were collected at the Padres 8<sup>TH</sup> annual Summer Blood Drive, held earlier today from 9 a.m. – 6 p.m. at Petco Park's Gallagher Square. Donors received a limited-edition Padres Summer Blood Drive T-shirt as a thank you for their lifesaving gifts. Sycuan Casino Resort also presented San Diego Blood Bank leadership with a check for \$15,000 in support of blood collection efforts.

“We can't thank the Padres, our Presenting Sponsor Sycuan Casino Resort, our supporting sponsors, and of course the donors enough for making this annual event successful again this year” said San Diego Blood Bank CEO Doug Morton. “We exceeded our goal for this drive and couldn't be happier.”

“We are extremely thankful to the San Diego community for their efforts in stepping up to the plate to support our eighth annual Summer Blood Drive,” said Tom Seidler, Padres Executive Vice President of Community & International Impact. “Thanks to the generosity of our fans and the support of San Diego Blood Bank, we have been able to touch thousands of lives during this time when donations are crucial as we head into the summer months.”

Since one pint of blood could potentially save up to three lives, the blood collected at this year's Padres Summer Blood Drive could save up to 1,800 lives in Southern California. Since 2017, the San Diego Padres have helped collect more than 3,600 pints of blood supporting thousands of patients in Southern California hospitals.

To be eligible to donate blood, you must be at least 17 years old, weigh at least 110 pounds, and be in general good health. Eligible blood donors are encouraged to schedule an appointment at [SanDiegoBloodBank.org](http://SanDiegoBloodBank.org) or calling 619-400-8251.

### About the San Diego Blood Bank

San Diego Blood Bank is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization also operating as Southern California Blood Bank, serving hospitals throughout Southern California. San Diego Blood Bank is dedicated to community health by providing a reliable supply of blood to patients in need. Our vision is to further ensure the health of our community by simultaneously delivering related health and wellness education and services and collaborate with various partners in medical research. San Diego Blood Bank currently operates nine fixed site donation locations and 10 bloodmobiles. For more information about SDDB, visit [SanDiegoBloodBank.org](http://SanDiegoBloodBank.org) or connect with us on [Facebook](#), [Instagram](#), [Twitter](#) and [Linkedin](#).

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