

Fort Benning Blood Donor Center Welcomes New Blood Donor Recruiter with Extensive Plans for the Future

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Fort Benning, GA has another reason to celebrate- not only has the newest Armed Services Blood Program (ASBP) donor center been successfully operating since January 2008, but it has also welcomed a new blood donor recruiter, Guy Harrigan!

Equipped with three years of ASBP blood donor recruiting experience in Hawaii, an

outgoing personality, and zeal to support our service members and their families, Guy is ready to take on Fort Benning. “Although I’ll miss the beautiful culture and scenery of Hawaii, I am excited to see what’s in store for me at Fort Benning,” says Guy.

Knowing personally the importance of readily available blood, Guy shares his passion for this cause: “A close friend of mine deployed to Iraq a few months ago and was seriously injured. He needed 12 units of blood to keep him alive and thanks to those who donated blood; he successfully recovered and returned home to his family.”

Because Guy has consistently seen the benefits of a steady blood supply, he has already set high goals for himself and his team. During the upcoming month, the Fort Benning blood collecting team aims to collect 2,000 units of blood. To tackle this difficult feat, more than 12 blood drives have been scheduled for May with additional dates to follow.

Since all blood collections at Fort Benning are obtained in a mobile blood collection unit, Guy and his team are ready to visit any location with potential blood donors. Many of Fort Benning’s potential donors are on site in four main temporary military quarters known as ‘cantonment areas’, which combined house over 100,000 military members and their families, retirees, and civilian employees.

Although Fort Benning is a self-sustaining military community, Guy plans to reach out even further into the community to spread the word about the ASBP and its efforts to collect blood for those in need. Some targeted areas are surrounding military bases and local colleges and universities with Reserve Officers’ Training Corps (ROTC) programs on campus. Guy will also provide a monthly newsletter in order to keep the community informed of upcoming blood drives, events, and special donor stories and recognitions.

To read the monthly newsletter, schedule your next blood donation appointment, find out more about Fort Benning or any of the other 21 ASBP blood donor centers worldwide, visit www.militaryblood.dod.mil for more information.