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# Blood Donor Program



Just like people, dogs and cats occasionally have a medical emergency that requires a blood transfusion to save their life! We are looking for healthy, well behaved pets to join our Blood Donor Program! Please read the following and consider making your dog or cat a Pet Hero!

### Donor Requirements:

- Healthy, friendly, and well mannered
- Between 1 and 8 years old
- Spayed/Neutered
- Current on vaccinations
- No other medications except parasite prevention
- Canines at least 50 pounds (but not obese)
- Felines at least 8 pounds and indoor only
- Able to donate a minimum of four times a year
- Initial and yearly blood work required (our cost)

### Blood Donation Procedure:

- A blood donation takes about 30 minutes
- Dogs donate either sitting or laying down, occasionally sedated
- Cats are always sedated for blood donations
- A small patch is shaved on the pet's neck
- Blood is drawn from the jugular vein
- Dogs can safely donate about 450 milliliters of blood every 30 days
- Cats can safely donate about 50 milliliters of blood every 30 days

### Blood Donor Benefits:

- A free bag or case of food sponsored by Hill's Science Diet or Iams/Eukanuba per donation
- A free unit of blood for each unit donated for the life of your pet if they should ever need it
- Free annual blood screen for as long as they are in the program
- Being a Pet Hero!



Donors save lives!!!! We need you and your dog because only one in every fifteen dogs can be a blood donor! Please ask the front desk for more information or visit our website at [www.newtonvet.com](http://www.newtonvet.com).

