

RESEARCH SHOWS  
THAT EARLY TRANSFUSION  
CAN REDUCE TRAUMA-  
RELATED MORTALITY BY  
**UP TO 37%**

# WHY DOES PREHOSPITAL BLOOD MATTER?

Prehospital blood transfusion is essential for patients with severe bleeding, saving lives and improving health outcomes. Rapid blood replacement helps prevent death from blood loss and extends the critical time window for effective treatment.



## Support EMS & Save Lives During EMS Week

Hosting a blood drive is a meaningful way for EMS agencies to support their teams and help ensure life-saving blood is available when needed. Partnering with blood banks and hospitals strengthens emergency response and builds a more prepared community.

### How to Get Involved

- **DONATE BLOOD:** Schedule an appointment with the American Red Cross at [www.redcrossblood.org](http://www.redcrossblood.org) or find a donation center through America's Blood Centers at [www.americasblood.org](http://www.americasblood.org).
- **HOST A BLOOD DRIVE:** Partner with organizations like the American Red Cross or a local community blood center to organize a drive in your area. These organizations provide guidance and resources to help you coordinate a successful event.



## LEARN MORE:

Visit [EMSWeek.org](http://EMSWeek.org)  
to learn more about  
prehospital blood  
transfusion programs  
and how to host a  
blood drive.