

Blood Drop Challenge

BACKGROUND

The Armed Services Blood Program (ASBP) has a proud history of providing quality blood products for Service members and their families in both peace and wartime. Since its inception over 50 years ago, the ASBP has collected nearly 5,000,000 units of blood to support United States military members. This would not have been possible without the support of dedicated staff and generous donors within the military community. Blood donated to the ASBP by active duty personnel, government employees, military retirees, and military family members has saved the lives of fellow military community members in their time of need. Our nation's military has come to depend on the ASBP to provide a sustained, secure and safe blood supply across the country and around the world at all times.

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The Armed Services Blood Program (ASBP) plays a key role in providing quality blood products for Service members and their families in both peace and war. As a joint operation among the military services (Army, Navy, Air Force), the ASBP has many components working together to collect, process, store, distribute, and transfuse blood worldwide.

Currently, the Armed Services Blood Program (ASBP) operates 22 blood donor centers and 81 transfusion centers in the U.S., Europe and Asia. Two Armed Services Whole Blood Processing Laboratories serve as storage and shipping facilities for contingency blood—both liquid and frozen. A network of Blood Transshipment Centers, Expeditionary Blood

Transshipment Systems, Blood Product Depots, and Blood Supply Units are in place or on call at all times to ensure support of front line medical response units anywhere around the globe.

Intention

The “Blood Drop Challenge”, will be the first annual base wide competition developed to increase the appeal of the Armed Services Blood Program on Marine Corps Base Camp Lejeune. The purpose of this competition is to increase the involvement and blood donations of civilian and military personnel on Marine Corps Base Camp Lejeune. Any facility or unit located on Marine Corps Base Camp Lejeune can be involved in this competition. The competition will be from January 2012- April 2012. After this time period, a unit or facility will be recognized for their outstanding efforts on donating blood during this time frame. If any unit or facility is interested in scheduling a blood drive or has any other questions regarding this competition, they can refer to the point of contact information.

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