

## MEDIA EVENT ADVISORY – WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 11, 2023 MEDIA CONTACT (not for publication or broadcast): San Diego Blood Bank

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## LOCAL BLOOD DONOR TO RECEIVE ACCOLADES FOR 70TH GALLON BLOOD DONATION AND VOLUNTEER EFFORTS

**WHAT:** Dedicated blood donor Walter Panowitz will donate his 70<sup>th</sup> gallon of blood. He will receive a commemorative certificate as well as a Lifetime Presidential Award for his contribution of over 5,000 volunteer hours at San Diego Blood Bank.

**WHEN:** Wednesday, January 11, 2023. Walter's appointment to donate blood is at 9:30 a.m. (note – actual donation could start 20+ minutes after appointment time)

**WHERE:** San Diego Blood Bank headquarters, 3636 Gateway Center Avenue, Suite 100, San Diego, CA 92102.

**NOTES:** For over 30 years, Walter has devoted his time and efforts as a blood donor and volunteer for San Diego Blood Bank. Walter is a member of SDBB's <u>Guardian</u> <u>Circle</u> and has made over 300 donations at San Diego Blood Bank to date, potentially saving hundreds of lives. Walter volunteers his time at various mobile blood drives, San Diego Blood Bank special events, in the blood bank's business office and with SDBB's donor experience team.

Appointments will be honored first, walk-ins are welcome. Appointments available at <a href="https://www.sandiegobloodbank.org">www.sandiegobloodbank.org</a> or by calling 619-400-8251.

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