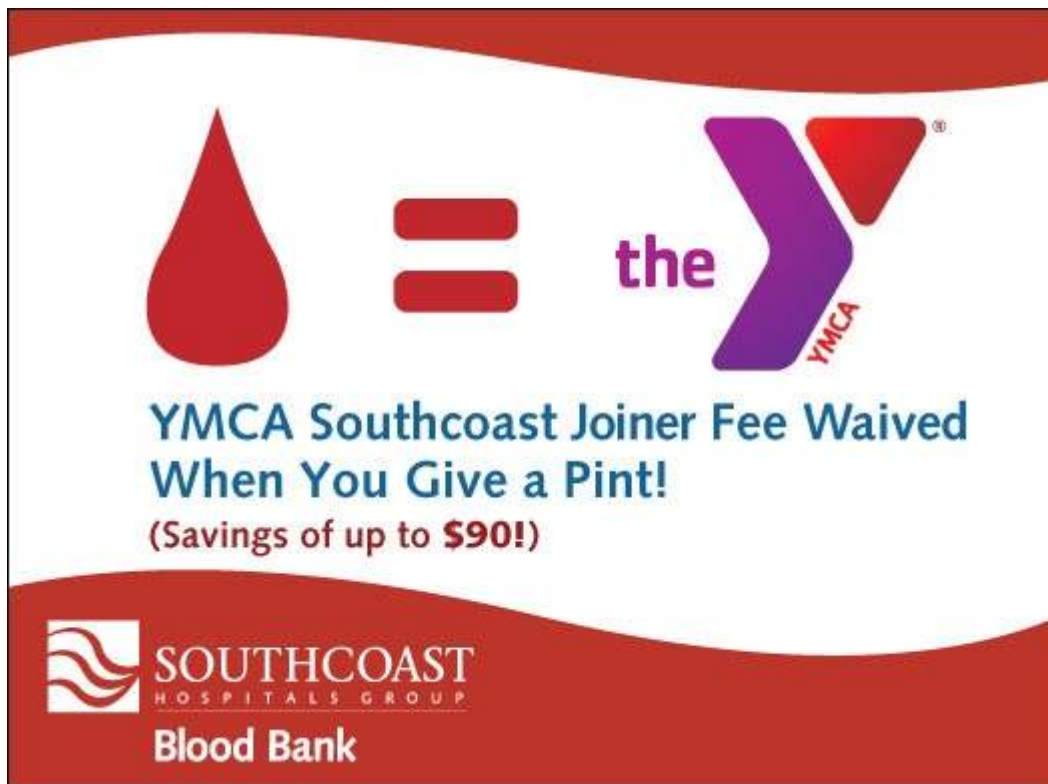


# Community Blood Drive



## A healthy incentive for Southcoast blood donors

YMCA Southcoast has partnered with the Southcoast Blood Bank to offer donors a healthy incentive. Anyone who donates blood at the Southcoast Blood Bank at St. Luke's Hospital, or at any of the community blood drives hosted by the Southcoast Blood Bank, will receive a complimentary family guest pass to any YMCA SOUTHCOAST facility, and the Y will waive the joiner fee for any donor interested in a new YMCA membership (up to a \$90 savings).

"We are extremely appreciative to the YMCA for partnering with the Southcoast Blood Bank for this ongoing promotion," said John Laverty, MD, Medical Director of the Southcoast Blood Bank. "This new initiative provides our donors with a healthy incentive in appreciation for their support of the local blood supply."

YMCA SOUTHCOAST facilities include the Dartmouth YMCA, the Fall River YMCA, the Gleason Family YMCA in Wareham, the

Mattapoisett YMCA and the New Bedford YMCA.

**You have a choice! Donate local.**

The Southcoast Blood Bank is the only blood donation venue that directly supports the South Coast communities' blood supply. When you donate blood at a Southcoast-sponsored blood drive you are helping to keep your local blood supply strong – so it is there when you need it.

“Together we can do more to strengthen the foundation of our community,” said Gary Schuyler, President & CEO of YMCA SOUTHCOAST. “We hope that our collaboration with the Southcoast Blood Bank will encourage and show gratitude to members of our community who choose to donate locally.”

**Chance to win Pawtucket Red Sox tickets!**

In addition to the YMCA promotion, all donors in the month of May will be entered into a drawing to win a four pack of tickets to a Pawtucket Red Sox game of your choice. The drawing will take place at the end of May. Don't miss out!

**Where to donate**

Community Blood Drives: Southcoast hosts blood drives throughout the region on the Southcoast Health Van and at local businesses. To schedule a free blood drive please call Catherine Alegria, Southcoast Blood Donor Coordinator, at 508-993-0430 or by email at [alegriac@southcoast.org](mailto:alegriac@southcoast.org).

The following is a list of community blood drives during the month of May:

**NEW BEDFORD**

Wednesday, May 1

YMCA

25 South Water Street

Blood Drive

9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

**SOMERSET**

Thursday, May 2  
Somerset Credit Union  
740 County Street  
Blood Drive  
9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

**WAREHAM**

Friday, May 3  
Tobey Hospital  
43 High Street  
Blood Drive  
8 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

**FAIRHAVEN**

Sunday, May 5  
St. Joseph's Church  
74 Spring Street  
Blood Drive  
8 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

**FAIRHAVEN**

Wednesday, May 8  
Re/Max Open House  
22 Laura Lane  
Blood Drive  
11:30 a.m. to 6 p.m.

**NEW BEDFORD**

Wednesday, May 15  
All Saints Catholic School  
115 Illinois Street  
Blood Drive  
11:30 a.m. to 6 p.m.

**FAIRHAVEN**

Friday, May 17  
Southcoast Center For Cancer Care  
206 Mill Road

Blood Drive

8 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

**NEW BEDFORD**

Saturday, May 18

Operation Clean Sweep

St. Luke's Hospital

101 Page Street

Accepting Donations inside the Blood Bank

8 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

**NEW BEDFORD**

Sunday, May 19

Jewish Federation of Greater New Bedford

145 Brownell Avenue

Blood Drive

8 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

**NORTH DARTMOUTH**

Tuesday, May 21

Hawthorn Cancer Center

535 Faunce Corner Road

Blood Drive

10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

**DARTMOUTH**

Thursday, May 23

Dartmouth Mall

200 Dartmouth Mall Drive

Blood Drive

Noon to 6:30 p.m.

**FALL RIVER**

Friday, May 24

Charlton Memorial Hospital

363 Highland Avenue

Blood Drive

8 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

The Southcoast Blood Bank: Individuals can also donate at the Southcoast Blood Bank located at St. Luke's Hospital, 101 Page Street, New Bedford, off the main lobby. Walk-ins are welcome Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., Wednesdays 9 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. and Saturdays from 8 to 2:30 p.m. For more information or to make an appointment call 508-961-5320. More information is available online at [www.southcoast.org/bloodbank/](http://www.southcoast.org/bloodbank/).