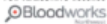


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**Bloodworks responding to Las Vegas Shooting**  
*Support for treatment and recovery of victims*

**Seattle, WA** – This morning Bloodworks communicated with United Blood Services (UBS) in Las Vegas to offer emergency blood components for medical treatment of people injured in the horrific shooting on Sunday night. UBS advised that while their immediate hospital requirements are being met, additional supplies will be needed.

"We know that a large number of patients will need treatment and ongoing care," said James P. Auluckon, MD, president and CEO of Bloodworks. "We expect to be called upon, and stand ready to assist immediately with emergency shipments."

"At times like this, people want to make a difference. We're urging local donors who have not donated recently – regulars and first-timers – to help us build strong local inventories by donating this week so we can be ready to respond when shipments to Las Vegas are needed to help victims of this tragedy." Donors can schedule an appointment at [schedule.bloodworksnw.org](http://schedule.bloodworksnw.org) or by calling 1-800-916-1988.

Responding to emergencies (whether local or national) requires blood that is already collected, tested, on the shelves and ready for immediate use. When disasters happen and emergency transfusions are required, the need is acute for most-common Type O blood, platelets and universal AB plasma.

"While our primary mission supports local patients, when catastrophes happen we do whatever we can to help – even when local supplies are as tight as they've been in recent weeks," Auluckon said. "Whether the need is local or somewhere else, we need to be able to respond instantly – and for that we need stronger inventories off the time."

Donors can also check online at [bloodworksnw.org](http://bloodworksnw.org) to find dates and times of mobile drives close to where they live or work.