

BE RED CROSS READY!!

Mission Statement

The American Red Cross, a humanitarian organization led by volunteers, guided by its Congressional Charter and the Fundamental Principles of the International Red Cross Movement, will provide relief to victims of disasters and help people prevent, prepare for and respond to emergencies.

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Report to the Community



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The Red Cross In Our Community

Disaster Relief and Community Disaster Education

When a disaster threatens or strikes, the Red Cross is there. This year we responded to 23 disasters, most of which were single-family fires. We helped almost 80 affected individuals with emergency food, shelter and supplies.

Because being prepared can make your family and community safer and sometimes minimize injury and destruction, we made disaster education presentations to over 300 people throughout Northeast Nebraska.

Health and Safety Services

From first aid, CPR and AED training to swimming and lifeguarding, American Red Cross programs help people lead safer and healthier lives. This year, 2,848 individuals learned lifesaving skills through classes offered by the chapter.

International Services

The international tracing program helps local families find relatives with whom they have lost contact because of a natural disaster, war or internal conflict. We help reconnect families with loved ones in foreign lands.

Armed Forces Emergency Services

The American Red Cross provides communication between those in the Armed Forces and their families. We have a worldwide network that reaches service members wherever they are to communicate a birth, death or illness. This year we provided emergency connections for 56 military families.

Blood Services

Every two seconds, someone in the United States needs blood. Thanks to generous blood donors, the Red Cross collects and distributes nearly half the nation's blood supply. In Norfolk, we host weekly blood drives at the chapter office.

Community Services

We offer such things as disaster preparedness information, free blood pressure screenings, first aid stations at local events and other such items that assist and promote our communities.

A Note About Volunteers

We depend on volunteers of all ages and backgrounds to carry on our work. Volunteers constitute 97 percent of our total workforce, serving as members of the board, instructors teaching lifesaving skills, disaster action team members, office administrators, event organizers and more.

This year, 139 volunteers made the work of the chapter possible.

*Statement of Financial Position For the Year Ending June 30, 2008 * **

Beginning Cash & Investments	\$46,380
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Statement of Activities

TOTAL CONTRIBUTIONS, REVENUES AND GAINS	\$192,884
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Expenses and Losses

Program Services:	
Disaster Services	\$16,389
Health Services	\$15,785
Community Services	\$ 8,806
Membership and Fund Raising	\$10,095
Management, Benefits & ARC Exp.	\$70,517
Rent & Office Exp. (equip. lease)	\$62,863

TOTAL EXPENSES	\$184,455
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Excess (Deficit) of Rev. over Exp:	\$ 8,429
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Year End Balances:

Cash & Investments	\$ 54,809
Restricted Funds	<u>\$ 65,629</u>
<i>Total Cash & Investments</i>	\$120,438

* * NOTE: un-audited figures as of 7/10/08