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## COMMUNITY TISSUE SERVICES (CTS) DONATES SKIN FOR NAIROBI, KENYA BURN VICTIMS

In mid-February, CTS donated approximately 200 square feet of skin grafts to aid burn victims of two fires in Nairobi, Kenya. More than 100 people were killed and another 117 wounded when an overturned fuel tanker exploded, causing many injuries to adults and children. The tanker overturned along a highway spilling gallons of gas which hundreds of residents rushed to scoop up, according to Titus Mung'ou of the Kenyan Red Cross. The vehicle later exploded. A week earlier, at least 25 people died and scores were injured after a massive fire swept through a supermarket in downtown Nairobi.

The accidents prompted the American Burn Association to seek gifts from tissue banks across the United States, including CTS. The burn association was responding to requests from the James R. Jordan Foundation, the U.S. State Department and White House staff to lend aid.

Severe burns lead to infection and fluid loss which may be fatal. Skin grafts are used as a temporary covering to reduce pain, lower the chance of infection and prevent dehydration. Severe burn victims often use more than 10 square feet of skin.

## MEET OUR BOARD MEMBERS

*Meet Our Board Members* will be a regular feature of VitaLink to profile our dedicated and hard working Board of Directors. Our first profile is of **Maureen T. Patterson.**

Maureen T. Patterson has served on the board of trustees for The Foundation for Community Blood Center/ Community Tissue Services for almost two years.

She chose to serve as a board member because she truly believes in the mission of giving life, "whether it is through blood donation, tissue donation or organ donation-you are giving the gift of life and a miracle for someone. In September of 2007, I donated a kidney to my wonderful friend Marcia Bostick. Marcia and I were friends for more than 20 years and worked together. I was so pleased to know I was compatible and could help my friend. That one gift gave me more joy than any gift I had ever given in my life."

Maureen is vice president of stakeholder relations for the Dayton Development Coalition, an economic development and advocacy organization for the Dayton region. She previously served as vice president of member services for the Dayton Area Chamber of Commerce.

Her hobbies include reading, taking long walks with her golden retriever, Murphy, and going to movies. She enjoys volunteering and currently chairs the Montgomery County Human Services Levy Council and co-chairs with her husband, Don, the March of Dimes Chef's Auction. Maureen and Don have two grown children, Kevin and Kelly, and two grandchildren with another one due.



You have the power to Donate Life.



Since his bone transplant, Tyler has a handicap. It's about a nine.

Be an organ, eye and tissue donor.



Community Tissue Services  
www.DonateLifeOhio.org



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**NEWSBRIEFS**

**You are invited:  
Breakfast with the CEO**



David Smith, M.D., CEO of CBC/CTS (second from the right) leads a tour of the February Breakfast with the CEO

**Upcoming Breakfast with the CEO dates:  
March 19, April 16 and May 21.**

These informal gatherings are held on the third Thursday of the month at CBC's downtown Dayton headquarters, 349 S. Main Street. Parking is free in the lot adjacent to the building.

The event begins at 8:30 with a continental breakfast and brief introduction to CBC/CTS along with an update on the organization. Dr. David Smith, CEO of CBC/CTS, then leads visitors on a tour of Community Blood Center/Community Tissue Services. The breakfast/tours are over by 10:00 am.

All are welcome to learn more about the mission of Community Blood Center/Community Tissue Services. If you'd like to attend, please let us know by calling the foundation at 937-461-3266 or by emailing us at [jrogers@cbccts.org](mailto:jrogers@cbccts.org).

# LOVE, STAYCIE.

*My name is Staycie Minnifield and I am twelve years old, but I also have Sickle Cell Disease. I would like to thank everyone who is a donor. Through you donating blood you have saved my life so many times with God's help. Thank you so much for taking the time out of your life to donate that blood because it has made it tremendously easier for me with Sickle Cell Disease. I love all of you. I would like to thank all of the doctors, nurses, and all of those who are involved with the process of blood transfusions.*

*Love,  
Staycie Minnifield*



## MEET OUR BOARD MEMBERS, CONTINUED

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Maureen concludes her profile by saying, "I encourage you to consider giving the gift of life. Give it in any way you feel comfortable. Be a blood donor, tissue donor or organ donor or make a financial contribution to the foundation. Visit the website, [www.communitytissue.org](http://www.communitytissue.org) and read the donor stories or consider a visit to CBC/CTS and see why so many people are happy to give the gift of life."

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# Charitable Contributions

The individuals, foundations and corporations listed below made charitable contributions to The Foundation for Community Blood Center/Community Tissue Services between November 1, 2008 and February 28, 2009. Their support of CBC/CTS' mission of saving and enhancing lives through blood transfusions and tissue transplants is the vital link which allows CBC/CTS to maintain its margin of excellence and to provide patients in our community with the blood and tissue they need. CBC/CTS gratefully recognizes all donors.

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You are cordially invited to join The Foundation for Community Blood Center/Community Tissue Services' Legacy Society. You are a member of the Legacy Society when you make a gift to The Foundation for Community Blood Center/Community Tissue Services in your will or estate plan. Your gift will help CBC/CTS save and enhance lives by providing blood components for transfusion and tissue grafts for transplantation, by providing for community education and outreach, research projects and capital equipment, technology and buildings.

You may inform us of your decision to include support for the mission of Community Blood Center/Community Tissue Services by completing the form below and returning it to us, by calling the foundation at 937-461-3266 or by emailing us at [jrogers@cbcts.org](mailto:jrogers@cbcts.org).

If you wish to include The Foundation for Community Blood Center/Community Tissue Services in your will, here is the suggested legal language.

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Members of the Legacy Society are invited to an annual recognition dinner with the CEO and senior management of CBC/CTS and receive regular updates on the organization's plans and future projects to provide a safe and adequate supply of blood and tissue to patients in need.

# CARESOURCE FOUNDATION CONTINUES ITS SUPPORT OF CBC

The Foundation for CBC/CTS recently received a \$15,000 grant from the CareSource Foundation to help fund a new blood donor mini coach. Others contributing to this project include ServiceMaster and the Barnitz Fund of JP Morgan Chase. The new mini donor coach will allow CBC to strengthen and expand its mobile blood collection efforts to provide our community with the blood products and services local patients need. A mini donor coach provides flexibility and it makes small blood drives efficient due to the limited staffing the mini coach requires.

Gifts are currently needed for this vital project; the total project cost is \$125,000. Charitable contributions may be directed (checks payable) to "The Foundation for CBC/CTS", 349 S. Main Street, Dayton, OH, 45402.



## The Foundation for Community Blood Center/Community Tissue Services

# *Legacy Society*

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# NCAA BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT PRIZE PACKAGE GIVEAWAY!

**March 1-17th:** Receive a free St. Patrick's Day limited edition green t-shirt when you register to give blood.

**March 1-21st:** Everyone who registers to donate blood, aged 18 and up, will be eligible to win a pair of tickets to the NCAA final four basketball games along with a 4 day vacation package to the final four host city, Detroit.

## MORE BLOOD NEWS

Special thanks to **Heil Brothers** for donating two snowthrowers for a drawing amongst January's registered blood donors. The lucky winners were **Rebecca Ross** of Eaton and **Ann Wolf** of Dayton.

Community Blood Center welcomed 1,160 first time blood donors in January- thanks to all blood donors for giving the gift of life and helping to save up to three lives!

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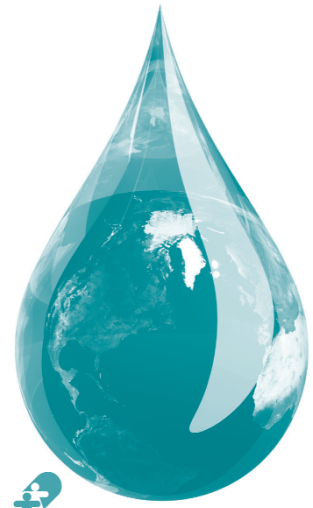
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