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City sponsoring blood drive for OneBlood

Aug. 23, 2013— The City of Deltona is sponsoring a blood drive for OneBlood from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., Sept. 6. Their mobile collection unit will be in the parking lot at Deltona City Hall, 2345 Providence Blvd.

Donors will receive a Fandango movie ticket; a voucher to Papa John's Pizza (Deltona location only); a 7-day sports pass to LA Fitness, Orange City; and a mini physical with temperature, pulse rate, blood pressure, iron level and cholesterol screening. Donors that gave on July 12 at City Hall are eligible for a free steak dinner courtesy of Outback Steakhouse and be entered to win "Outback for a Year!" All Alyx donors will receive a \$10 Darden Restaurants gift card in the mail. The Alyx Component Collection System uses automated technology to safely collect double the amount of red blood cells versus regular whole blood donation.

Giving blood is simple and easy. The entire process, from completing a short medical history to drawing the blood and resting afterward with refreshments, takes less than an hour. Blood donation is safe and painless and healthy people can donate every eight weeks.

To donate, you must be in good health, be 18 years of age or older, weigh at least 102 pounds and bring a photo identification card. Sixteen and 17-year-olds may donate with parental consent.

For information on blood donation, visit oneblooddonor.org and use sponsor code "M1NP."