



## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

### Media contact:

Claudine Van Gonka/Director, Community Relations & Marketing  
C (619) 455-7785, [cvangonka@sandiegobloodbank.org](mailto:cvangonka@sandiegobloodbank.org)

[Photos and video footage here](#)

## MORE THAN 500 PINTS OF BLOOD COLLECTED AT SIXTH ANNUAL PADRES SUMMER BLOOD DRIVE

**SAN DIEGO (May 26, 2022)** More than 500 pints of blood were collected today at the Sixth annual Padres Summer Blood Drive, presented by Sycuan Casino Resort, breaking last year's record of 453 pints.

The drive ran from 9 a.m. – 6 p.m. at Petco Park's Gallagher Square. All donors received a limited-edition Padres Summer Blood Drive T-shirt and access to two complimentary tickets to the June 6 home game against the New York Mets.

"The Padres are proud to partner with the San Diego Blood Bank on this annual event, which continues to grow and improve. We're grateful to see the record turnout of donors today, which will help save even more lives in San Diego." said Tom Seidler, Padres SVP of Community and Military Affairs, and one of several donors from the Padres front office.

"We are truly grateful to the Padres, Sycuan Casino Resort, and all of the donors at the drive today for helping us collect so many pints of lifesaving blood" said San Diego Blood Bank CEO Doug Morton. "Every year, Padres Summer Blood Drive kicks off our appeal to the community to donate during the summer months, when we typically see fewer donors."

Anyone who donates today through June 30 at any San Diego Blood Bank donation location or mobile drive will receive the limited-edition Padres Summer Blood Drive T-shirt (while supplies last).

To be eligible to donate blood, you must be at least 17 years old, weigh at least 114 pounds, and be in general good health. Eligible blood donors are encouraged to schedule an appointment at [SanDiegoBloodBank.org](http://SanDiegoBloodBank.org) or calling 619-400-8251.

### About the San Diego Blood Bank

San Diego Blood Bank is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization also operating as Southern California Blood Bank, serving hospitals throughout Southern California. San Diego Blood Bank is dedicated to community health by providing a reliable supply of blood to patients in need. Our vision is to further ensure the health of our community by simultaneously delivering related health and wellness education and services and collaborate with various partners in medical research. San Diego Blood Bank currently operates nine fixed site donation locations and 10 bloodmobiles. For more information about SDBB, visit [SanDiegoBloodBank.org](http://SanDiegoBloodBank.org) or connect with us on [Facebook](#), [Instagram](#), [Twitter](#) and [LinkedIn](#).

###