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Blood Drive - January 5 Shrinking donor pool exacerbates critical need

Herndon, VA (December 21) – Northwest Federal Credit Union (NWFCU), in conjunction with the NWFCU Foundation, will host a blood drive on Tuesday, January 5, from 9:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at the credit union's Herndon Branch, 200 Spring Street.

"Every day Inova needs more than 200 units of blood to help save lives in the Washington, D.C. metro area. There is no substitute for blood and we need donors now more than ever," says Bernadette Viland, Sr. Account Manager for Inova Blood Donor Services. "You can make a difference in the life of a cancer patient, a newborn suffering from complications, or someone who has lost blood from an injury, surgery, or organ transplant."

NWFCU opens its doors to Inova Blood Donor Services twice each year and has collected more than 730 units of life saving blood since partnering with Inova. "Most people don't realize that only 37% of the population is eligible to give blood," cites Jenn Womack, NWFCU's Events and PR Specialist. "In exchange for an hour of your time, you'll receive a mini physical including your blood pressure, temperature and iron level, learn your blood type, and have a chance to win a door prize, compliments of the credit union."

This event is open to the public and advance registration is requested. For more information, directions or to register, visit www.nwfcu.org/donate.

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Inova Blood Donor Services provides a safe and adequate blood supply for patients by partnering with donors and community organizations. To schedule a blood drive with your organization, please call 571-434-3652.