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www.kyrene.org/taxcredit or District Office Event December 31 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. 8700 S. Kyrene Road, Tempe 85284



## Blood drive at Chandler Regional

Chandler Regional Medical Center will host a blood-donor drive from 7:30 to 11:30 a.m. Tuesday, Dec. 30, as part of a statewide effort to help ensure that patients have an ample supply of blood this holiday season.

While all blood types are desired, according to United Blood Services spokeswoman Sue Thew, the organization has an urgent need for donors with O-negative, the universal blood that can be substituted for all other types in emergencies.

The week between Christmas and New Year's Day has traditionally been the most difficult time of year to meet patient blood needs, according to Thew.

Since blood has a shelf life of 42 days, December donors will help patients throughout the holiday season—the most challenging time of the year to maintain Arizona's blood supply.

Holiday blood drives have been scheduled at 20 Arizona hospitals, including Chandler Regional, to make it convenient for donors to give blood.

In appreciation, donors will receive a voucher for a complimentary 14-inch cheese pizza, courtesy of Streets of New York.

## MCC among best for service-learning

Mesa Community College has been named to the 2014 President's Higher Education Community Service Honor Roll, one of 766 higher education institutions nationwide, and one of only four in Arizona.

"We are proud to continue to receive this designation since its inception," said MCC President Shouan Pan.

Service-learning is offered in every academic area at MCC and is a required component of programs such as Administration of Justice, Education and Social Work.

"Our students consistently provide thousands of hours of service annually, benefitting veterans, elementary and high school students, and others most in need in our community," said Duane Oakes, faculty director of the MCC Center for Community & Civic Engagement.

"We're not only providing education, we're learning from one another along the way."

