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Submit your Volunteer Hours

Have you been entering your volunteer hours in Volunteer Connection? What about recording all your amazing Club events from this year? We want to make navigating Volunteer Connection and keeping your profile up-to-date easier for you. To help, the National Youth Council created video to show you how to submit your volunteer hours and how to enter Red Cross Club events. **Watch Now.**

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#ChooseYourDay

When school is out, our schedules fill with fun. In fact, blood donations from 18-24-year olds drop by half during the summer months when compared to the rest of the year. This decline can have a big impact on the blood supply, but thankfully you can help. Make a difference this summer, become a leader and inspire your peers to donate! Sign up today for the **High School Leadership Program**. Then #ChooseYourDay to host a Red Cross summer blood drive through the **Leaders Save Lives Program**. Both programs will help save lives and offer a chance to win scholarships!

Learn More.



And the Winner Is...

Congratulations Melanie Nomiya for winning the Navin Narayan Scholarship Award. Melanie is a Red Cross volunteer from the Los Angeles Region's South Bay Youth Council, as well as founder and President of her Red Cross club at North High School. She will be attending UCLA in the



fall, and is excited to continue her involvement with the Red Cross at the collegiate level. We wish you the best of luck!

[Read More.](#)

A BIG Thank You for Giving Day!

Thank you to everyone that donated on Giving Day and encouraged their friends and families to donate. We loved seeing your selfies, tweets, and social posts. It's with your help, we are able to continue moving the Red Cross mission forward, and we want to personally thank you!

[Watch this Video.](#)



Plan Your Next Project!

Just because the school year is over does not mean that you have to stop volunteering with the Red Cross. You might consider getting a few of your Red Cross Club members together and hosting fundraising events at your local Red Cross chapter. We have plenty of fundraising guides to choose from, including **Helping Hands**, an outdoor service-based project where you and some friends perform outdoor tasks for a small fee, and **Taste of Diversity** fundraising event where you create a potluck meal from different countries around the world. [Plan your project today!](#)

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