

2017 Allenstown Town Report

The American Red Cross staff and volunteers provide support and relief after a disaster, emergency preparedness training, courses in health and safety, blood drives, volunteer and youth leadership opportunities, and aid to military families. All Red Cross assistance is free to disaster victims. The Red Cross is a non-profit organization that receives no annual federal funding.

2016-2017 Accomplishments

Disaster Services: Red Cross-trained volunteers to make up the New Hampshire and Vermont Disaster Action Teams which respond to disasters in Deerfield and towns throughout the state. This Disaster Action Team is a group of volunteers who are specially trained to provide disaster relief and emotional comfort. **3** of our wonderful volunteers calls Allenstown home. They are available to respond at any time, day or night, to disasters in their communities and surrounding towns.

During our last fiscal year, the Red Cross disaster volunteers throughout New Hampshire and Vermont worked on **256** disaster cases, helping a total of **1,218** people (an average of almost five disasters per week). Most local disasters were residential fires. **1** of these occurrences took place in Allenstown alone, supporting **3** Allenstown residents.

Medical Careers Training: Because of the training and/or testing through the Red Cross LNA training program in New Hampshire and Vermont, **303** Licensed Nurse Assistants and Phlebotomists (those who draw blood) entered the healthcare field last year.

Health and Safety Classes: The Red Cross focuses on safety and prevention through its many training courses such as Adult, Infant, and Child CPR, AED training, First Aid, water safety, disaster training, first responder, and Babysitter's Skills. In all, the Red Cross imparts hope and confidence along with skill and knowledge. Throughout New Hampshire and Vermont, **32,724** enrollees were trained through health and safety classes.

Biomedical Services: Last year, blood drives in New Hampshire and Vermont collected **95,154** units of life-saving blood, with **2** blood drives in Allenstown, collecting **42** units of lifesaving blood.

For more information on the American Red Cross of New Hampshire Vermont Region, visit www.redcross.org/nhvt

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