



## **American Red Cross**

*Collier County Chapter*

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### **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

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### **AMERICAN RED CROSS PROJECT “STOCKINGS FOR THE TROOPS” NEEDS DONATIONS**

*(August 18, 2010 – Naples, FL)* – Volunteers for the Collier County Chapter of the American Red Cross in Naples, Florida, are preparing holiday stockings to be sent and distributed to the U.S. military to demonstrate support for our troops who serve overseas. The goal for the project this year is 1000 stockings. The stockings are being made by volunteers including a local sewing group called “Loose Threads.” In addition, elementary school students will be making holiday cards with hand-written messages to accompany the stockings. Monetary donations are currently being sought from private businesses as well as individuals to help cover the cost of postage and shipping overseas. The following items are being solicited and have been requested by the military:

- Entertainment Items: (playing cards, dice, hackey sacks & puzzle books)
- Crystal Light type drink packs and Individual/ small packages of Coffee & Tea
- Travel Size Hand Sanitizer
- Individual Tissue Packs, pre moistened wipes
- Individually Wrapped Candies and chewing gum
- Sample Sizes of Hand Cream, Deodorant, Toothpaste, Shampoo, Conditioner

Visit the [www.colliercountyredcross.org](http://www.colliercountyredcross.org) for a full list of items

Drop-off deadline date for the items is November 5, 2010. If you wish to contribute to this endeavor, you may drop off donations at the American Red Cross – Collier County Chapter 2610 Northbrooke Plaza Drive, Naples, Florida or mail a monetary contribution in care of: The American Red Cross Collier County Chapter – “Troops” or call the Red Cross at 239-596-6868 for more information.

The American Red Cross is a humanitarian organization, led by volunteers that provides relief to victims of disasters and helps people prevent, prepare for, and respond to emergencies. It does this through services that are consistent with its Congressional Charter and the fundamental principles of the International Red Cross Movement.

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