

# *A Blood Donor Overcomes Her Fears*

## *“MEGHAN’S STORY”*

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**E**ver since I was little girl, I hated needles. When the opportunity to give blood was presented to me, I would turn it down — I just couldn’t make myself go to the blood drive, even though I knew my blood donation could help save someone’s life.

That was before the accident — the day my life changed forever.

One night in May, I went for my first motorcycle ride with my boyfriend. It was late, the roads were wet — and we hit a pothole. I had minor injuries, but David was not so lucky. He had multiple life-threatening internal injuries and needed 124 units of blood to survive.

It is a miracle he is alive.  
And he is alive today because people took the time to give blood.

Knowing what I know now, and experiencing the worst first-hand, I can honestly say that I will not let my fear of needles stop me from giving blood. I gave my first pint on July 20 and I plan on giving again and again. It was so easy.



*Meghan McGovern and her boyfriend, David,  
who needed 124 units of blood to survive  
a motorcycle accident*

