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Senator Daphne Jordan and the American Red Cross will sponsor a Community Blood Drive on Tuesday, January 25, from 1 to 6 p.m., at the Poestenkill Fire Department

New York State Senator Daphne Jordan (R,C,I-Halfmoon) today announced that she is partnering with the American Red Cross to sponsor a **community blood** drive on Tuesday, January 25, from 1 to 6 p.m., at the Poestenkill Fire Department, located at 182 Main St., Poestenkill, NY 12140.

Appointments for blood donations at the community blood drive in Poestenkill on January 25 need to be made online. To schedule an appointment, please call the American Red Cross at 1-800-RED CROSS or visit redcrossblood.org and use sponsor code "Poestenkill."

The American Red Cross recently declared a national blood crisis, as its blood supply has fallen to its lowest levels in more than a decade amid the latest surge in COVID-19 cases. Over the last weekend, severe winter weather affecting the Midwest, East, and South further complicated efforts to rebuild the nation's blood supply. The American Red Cross noted that additional blood donors are urgently needed.

"There is a tremendous need for all blood types, especially during this winter season. Blood donors help patients of all ages including accident and burn victims, heart surgery, organ transplant patients, and those battling cancer. In fact, every two seconds, someone in the U.S. needs blood. Blood donors save lives and I encourage individuals to consider taking part in our upcoming community blood drive," **Senator Jordan said.**