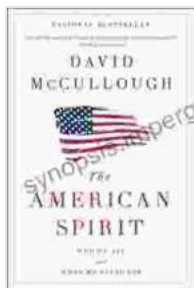


# Who We Are and What We Stand For

The American Red Cross is a humanitarian organization that provides emergency assistance, disaster relief, and health and safety services to people in need. We are guided by the fundamental principles of humanity, impartiality, neutrality, independence, voluntary service, unity, and universality.

We are a network of nearly 700 chapters across the United States, and we have more than 600,000 volunteers who are ready to respond to disasters at a moment's notice. We also have a presence in more than 190 countries around the world, where we work with local partners to provide humanitarian assistance.



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The Red Cross was founded in 1881 by Clara Barton. Barton was a nurse who had seen the horrors of war firsthand, and she was determined to

create an organization that could provide relief to people who had been affected by disasters.

Over the years, the Red Cross has responded to countless disasters, both large and small. We have provided food, shelter, and medical care to victims of hurricanes, floods, earthquakes, and other natural disasters. We have also provided assistance to people who have been affected by war, conflict, and other humanitarian crises.

The Red Cross is not just about responding to disasters. We also work to prevent and prepare for disasters. We offer a variety of educational programs that teach people about how to stay safe in an emergency. We also work with communities to develop disaster preparedness plans.

The Red Cross is a vital part of our community. We are here to help people in need, and we are always ready to respond to whatever challenges come our way.

## **Our Mission**

The mission of the American Red Cross is to prevent and alleviate human suffering in the face of emergencies by mobilizing the power of volunteers and the generosity of donors.

We fulfill our mission by providing the following services:

- Disaster relief
- Emergency assistance
- Health and safety services

- Disaster preparedness
- Community services

## **Our Core Values**

The Red Cross is guided by the following core values:

- Humanity
- Impartiality
- Neutrality
- Independence
- Voluntary service
- Unity
- Universality

## **How You Can Help**

There are many ways that you can help the Red Cross. You can:

- Become a volunteer
- Make a donation
- Attend a blood drive
- Take a CPR class
- Spread the word about our mission

## **Our Impact**

The Red Cross has a long and proud history of helping people in need. We have touched the lives of millions of people around the world. Here are just a few of our accomplishments:

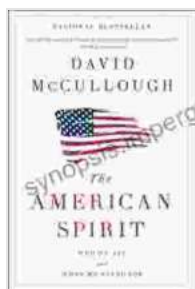
- We have provided food, shelter, and medical care to victims of countless disasters.
- We have helped to reunite families separated by war and conflict.
- We have trained millions of people in CPR and first aid.
- We have provided blood to hospitals and blood banks.
- We have helped to build homes for families who have lost their homes to disasters.

The Red Cross is making a difference in the world. We are here to help people in need, and we are always ready to respond to whatever challenges come our way.

## Join Us

The Red Cross is a volunteer organization. We rely on the generosity of our volunteers to fulfill our mission. If you are interested in volunteering, please visit our website at [www.redcross.org](http://www.redcross.org).

Together, we can make a difference.



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