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Coming to the Block Island Historical Society: Rhode Island Red Cross Traveling Exhibit 'A Century of Service, 1916 - 2016'

*Exhibit highlighting the past 100 years to be on display August 1-22, 2016 at
The Block Island Historical Society Museum*

PROVIDENCE, RI (July 20, 2016)– The Rhode Island Chapter of the American Red Cross is celebrating 100 years of Service to the Rhode Island Community. To celebrate, “A Century of Service, 1916-2016,” a traveling exhibit will be on display from August 1 – 22, 2016 at the Block Island Historical Society.

The Century of Service traveling exhibit was created in partnership with Roger Williams University and features historical pieces, highlights significant events and changes to the Chapter over the years. Each display panel depicts memorable residents and disaster responses while promoting the importance of building resilient communities.

“We are excited to bring our traveling exhibit to the Block Island Historical Society,” said Tempie Thompson, Executive Director, of the Red Cross Rhode Island Chapter. “The Red Cross has been an active part of Rhode Island for 100 years and we look forward to highlighting our history at the Block Island Historical Museum.”

Pam Gasner, Executive Director of the Block Island Historical Society is pleased to sponsor this important organization and the traveling exhibit. “Along with the Red Cross exhibit panels we will display artifacts from the medical and lifesaving history of Block Island that are in our permanent

collection. This collaborative exhibit will be located in the West Gallery on the first floor of the museum.”

The traveling exhibit will be on display August 1st through August 22nd at:

**Block Island Historical Society
18 Old Town Road**

Block Island, RI 02807 – blockislandhistorical.org

Open daily 11:00 am to 4:00 pm Admission \$6.00 adults; \$4.00 senior/students & military; children free; info: 401 - 466 - 2481

About the American Red Cross:

The American Red Cross shelters, feeds and provides emotional support to victims of disasters; supplies about 40 percent of the nation's blood; teaches skills that save lives; provides international humanitarian aid; and supports military members and their families. The Red Cross is a not-for-profit organization that depends on volunteers and the generosity of the American public to perform its mission. For more information, please visit redcross.org/ri or visit us on Twitter at [@RIRedCross](https://twitter.com/RIRedCross).

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