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Portland Youth Come Together for Charity Car Wash to Benefit Nepal Disaster Relief Efforts.

Portland, OR (June 28th, 2015) – A group of high school students from across the Portland area will be putting aside school rivalries to join forces for a charity car wash benefitting the American Red Cross disaster relief efforts in Nepal. The event is being hosted by the Portland Red Cross Youth Council and will take place from 12:00 - 5:00 PM on Sunday, June 28th at Cleveland High School.

Although school is out for the summer, devoted members of the Red Cross Portland Youth Council from David Douglas, Grant, Franklin, and Health and Science High Schools are working hard to assist the American Red Cross in its mission to alleviate human suffering in the face of natural disaster. The inspiring youth leaders invite community members to attend their benefit give-what-you-can car wash. All proceeds will fund relief efforts for the victims of the two massive earthquakes that struck Nepal last month.

"I believe in one global community; that all lives are valuable and that we should do whatever we can to assist those in need," Said Linda , President of the Portland Youth Council. "Our city could be in a similar position one day. We are just extending the same compassion and support that we hope others would do on to us".

"People underestimate the dedication and compassion that our community's youth embody," said Zachary , Youth Clubs Coordinator for Red Cross, Cascades Region. "I couldn't be more proud of our youth's hard work and selfless devotion to assisting people here in our community, and across the world".

The charity car wash will take place June 28^{th} 12:00 pm - 5:00 pm at Cleveland High School. All participants are asked to donate on a give-what-you-can basis. 100% of proceeds will be donated to American Red Cross Disaster Relief efforts in Nepal.

About Portland Red Cross Youth Council

The Portland Red Cross Youth Council is made up of dedicated, hard-working high school students who donate their time working to fulfill the mission of the American Red Cross by hosting blood drives, fundraisers, and educational workshops regarding diversity, humanitarianism, health and safety, and leadership. For more information please visit RedCrossYouth.Org

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