

After a baby is born and the umbilical cord is cut, there are millions of life-saving stem cells in the cord's blood. These stem cells treat more than 80 different diseases – most commonly blood cancers like leukemia and lymphoma. Our charity accepts donated cord blood from new parents. We safely extract and freeze the stem cells and make them available around the world for medical scientists, physicians and patients to use.

**WE HELP ALL AGES**



The most common use for cord blood stem cells is the treatment of blood cancers such as leukemia, which is common in young children (aged 2-8) and seniors (over 65) but is also increasing in frequency for young adults (18-35).

**WE HAVE NO BORDERS**



Our program provides life-saving cord blood to Canadians and patients world-wide. Physicians can easily access our units through prominent international registries in Canada, Europe and the USA.

**WE SAVE LIVES**



While many charities seek funds to help find a new cure or give hope, we are seeking funds to provide a cure that is already tried, tested and true. Cord blood saves lives. Funding is the limiting factor.

*Together, we have a cure!*

**WE HELP ALL ETHNIC GROUPS**



Cord blood is used to treat diseases in all ethnic groups and Canada is the perfect place to recruit cord blood and financial donors from all races. Several treatable diseases are prevalent to specific ethnic groups including Thalassemia, Tay-Sachs, and Sickle Cell anemia.

**OUR CHARITY IS UNIQUE**



Our public bank belongs to a very elite group of the highest quality cord blood banks in the world; we have passed regular inspections by Health Canada and FACT (a gold-standard international organization). Our experience is based on 20 years in the field of cord blood banking.

**WE ARE ON THE CUTTING EDGE**



Stem cells are to this generation as pharmaceuticals and penicillin were to generations before us. Stem cells have the potential to change medicine in ground-breaking ways. Cord blood has no ethical or religious restrictions.

Families at the happiest time of their lives (the birth of a healthy baby) can help families at the darkest time (fearing for the life of a loved one).

*You can help!*

**REGISTER FOR CORD BLOOD DONATION:**

[www.victoriaangel.org](http://www.victoriaangel.org)  
OR EMAIL US AT:  
[educator@victoriaangel.org](mailto:educator@victoriaangel.org)



**MAKE A FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTION:**

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OR EMAIL US AT:  
[charity@victoriaangel.org](mailto:charity@victoriaangel.org)



**CORD BLOOD DOESN'T REQUIRE A 100% MATCH.**

CORD BLOOD ONLY REQUIRES A 66% MATCH BETWEEN DONOR AND PATIENT (AS COMPARED TO A 100% REQUIREMENT FOR BONE MARROW DONORS). THIS INCREASES THE POTENTIAL FOR TREATING PREVIOUSLY UNTREATABLE PATIENTS EXPONENTIALLY!



**OVER 95% OF UMBILICAL CORDS ARE DISCARDED.**

CORD BLOOD IS TOO PRECIOUS TO WASTE! THOUSANDS OF PATIENTS ARE IN NEED OF THESE LIFE-SAVING CELLS. SAVE CORD BLOOD TO SAVE LIVES!



**CORD BLOOD STEM CELLS HAVE UNIQUE PROPERTIES AND CURRENTLY TREAT MORE THAN 80 DISEASES.**

CLINICAL TRIALS ARE INVESTIGATING THEIR USE IN ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE, MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS, STROKES, DIABETES, CARDIAC DISEASE, AUTISM, CEREBRAL PALSY, PARKINSON'S DISEASE AND SPINAL CORD INJURIES.



**WHERE DOES MY DONATION GO?**

CHARITABLE FUNDS ARE USED FOR:

1. EDUCATING EXPECTANT PARENTS ABOUT THE OPTION OF DONATING THEIR BABY'S CORD BLOOD
2. PROVIDING STERILE COLLECTION KITS TO AND FROM THE PARENTS
3. PROCESSING THE CORD BLOOD TO SAFELY REMOVE THE STEM CELLS
4. FREEZING AND STORING THE STEM CELLS
5. MEDICAL TESTING AND TISSUE-TYPING EACH MEDICAL-GRADE UNIT
6. POSTING THE CORD BLOOD UNIT ON WORLDWIDE REGISTRIES
7. RELEASING CORD BLOOD UNITS FOR MEDICAL TREATMENT OR RESEARCH

*It's simple* ...the more stem cells that are stored, the greater the capacity to find a match and save a life. With your support we can provide hope and help to patients in Canada and around the world.

