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Government of Yukon to support Red Cross West Africa Ebola Fund

WHITEHORSE—The Government of Yukon is making a \$25,000 donation to the Red Cross West Africa Ebola Fund to help mitigate the outbreak of Ebola in West Africa.

"The Ebola outbreak in West Africa requires the support of the world community," Premier Darrell Pasloski said. "The Yukon government is contributing \$25,000 to support the efforts of the Canadian Red Cross to control the Ebola virus."

Since the Ebola outbreak began, the Red Cross has expanded its Ebola preparedness and response activities to 14 West African countries, mobilizing aid workers specializing in health and disaster response. The Red Cross is asking Canadians to financially support this essential activity.

"In the face of disasters and humanitarian crises, Yukoners have consistently demonstrated a high degree of compassion," director for Canadian Red Cross B.C. and Yukon Kimberley Nemrava said. "This generous support from the Yukon government will help Red Cross with essential supplies and trained personnel so we can help stop the spread of Ebola and save lives."

Yukoners wishing to make a financial donation can donate to the West Africa Ebola fund by calling 1-800-418-1111 or by giving online at www.redcross.ca/ebola.

Yukoners can also visit their local Red Cross office or one of the participating banks in Yukon: BMO Financial Group; CIBC; RBC; Scotiabank; TD Canada Trust. Cheques should be made payable to the Canadian Red Cross and earmarked West Africa Ebola fund.

Learn more:

Canadian Red Cross: West Africa Ebola Virus Fund

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