



# MEDIA ALERT

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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

## **RED CROSS IS PROVIDING MEALS OVER THE WEEKEND FOR RESIDENTS OF EASTERN EL PASO COUNTY WHO ARE WITHOUT POWER**

**Colorado Springs, CO** – The American Red Cross Pikes Peak Chapter will have volunteers on hand throughout the weekend in Ellicott providing hot meals for the eastern El Paso County residents affected by Tuesday’s storm and still without power. In partnership with Falcon School District #49 who will be cooking the meals, Red Cross volunteers will be on hand at the Ellicott Fire Department to distribute lunch and dinner throughout the weekend. Residents of Ellicott and surrounding communities who are without power are encouraged to come to the Ellicott Fire Department for hot meals.

The location is:

**Ellicott Fire Department  
75 N. Ellicott Hwy**

Meals will be served during the following times:

**Saturday, April 28 and Sunday, April 29  
Lunch: 11:00am – 1:00pm  
Dinner: 4:00pm – 6:00pm**

The American Red Cross helps people prevent, prepare for and respond to emergencies. Last year, almost a million volunteers and 35,000 employees helped victims of almost 75,000 disasters; taught lifesaving skills to millions; and helped U.S. service members separated from their families stay connected. Almost 4 million people gave blood through the Red Cross, the largest supplier of blood and blood products in the United States. The American Red Cross is part of the International Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement. An average of 91 cents of every dollar the Red Cross spends is invested in humanitarian services and programs. The Red Cross is not a government agency; it relies on donations of time, money, and blood to do its work. Contributions to the American Red Cross may be sent to American Red Cross Pikes Peak Chapter, 1040 S. 8<sup>th</sup> Street, Colorado Springs, CO 80906.

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