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## American Red Cross of East Tennessee Chapter Announces George T. Lewis as Board Chair

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The American Red Cross East Tennessee Chapter is pleased to announce George T. "Buck" Lewis to serve as Board Chair for the Advisory Board of Directors. Lewis is a shareholder with Baker Donelson. Lewis is past President of the Tennessee Bar Association, past Chair of the Tennessee Supreme Court Access to Justice Commission and Founder of the Institute for Professional Leadership at UT College of Law. Lewis also served as Board Chair for the Mid-South Chapter while living in Memphis.

"The East Tennessee chapter of the Red Cross is honored to have Mr. Lewis chair our board," said Sharon Hudson, Executive Director. "I am very much looking forward to working with Buck and our advisory board on our mission to prevent and alleviate human suffering throughout the Tennessee Region."

Last year in the East Tennessee Chapter, Red Cross volunteers provided care, food, hope and shelter to more than 891 people following local disasters. Volunteers helped install nearly 3,231 smoke alarms throughout 14 counties in the calendar year of 2023.

To find out how you can serve in your community, visit redcross.org.

## About the American Red Cross:

The American Red Cross shelters, feeds and provides comfort to victims of disasters; supplies about 40% of the nation's blood; teaches skills that save lives; distributes international humanitarian aid; and supports veterans, military members and their families. The Red Cross is a nonprofit organization that depends on volunteers and the generosity of the American public to deliver its mission. The American Red Cross Tennessee Region serves all 95 counties in Tennessee, Crittenden County in Arkansas and Desoto and Tunica counties in Mississippi. The Tennessee Region – part of a nationwide network of locally supported chapters - is comprised of the following eight Red Cross chapters: East Tennessee, Heart of Tennessee, Mid-South, Mid-West Tennessee, Nashville Area, Southeast Tennessee, Northeast Tennessee and Tennessee River. For more information, please visit redcross.org or CruzRojaAmericana.org, or follow us on social media.