



**American
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Army reservist, former Marine joins Lee County Red Cross staff *New position will coordinate increasing armed forces services*

FORT MYERS, July 13 – The American Red Cross of Lee County is proud to announce the hiring of Jeremy Gentile, who will fill the newly created position of Service to the Armed Forces Coordinator. In this part-time position, Gentile will focus on volunteer recruitment, military outreach and support to local military families as well as handle financial assistance and communications with service-related individuals worldwide.

Gentile comes to the Red Cross with 12 years of military experience including an 8-year history with the United States Marine Corps. He is currently a member of the United States Army serving as an inactive reservist.

“I’ve been on the other side of things, getting phone calls from the Red Cross about a family member who was dying or ill, and I always wanted to be on the side making the calls, helping someone out,” Gentile said.

The Lee County Red Cross has seen an increase in support to active duty, retired and veteran military members and their families. Gentile’s military history will help the chapter further improve and expand its services to the armed forces.

The American Red Cross links members of the U.S. Armed Forces with their families during a crisis. Twenty-four hours a day, 365 days a year, the Red Cross quickly sends emergency communications to deployed service members on behalf of their family. Military members can have peace of mind knowing that when they are on a mission, in training or stationed far from home-and leaving cell phones and emails behind-they are still connected to home.

While providing service to 1.4 million active duty military personnel and their families, the Red Cross also reaches out to more than 1.2 million members of the National Guard and Reserves and their families living in nearly every community in America.

Visit arclcc.org and redcross.org for preparedness advice and tips.

The Red Cross is dedicated to helping make families and communities safer at home and around the world. It provides training in life-saving skills and mobilizes relief to victims of disasters in addition to assisting members of the U.S. Armed Forces and their families. For additional information about the Red Cross and the assistance it provides, making donations, registering for a class or volunteering, call 278-3401, or log on to arclcc.org. The American Red Cross of Lee County is a proud member of the United Way of Lee County.

