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### **TRYON DISTRIBUTING HOLDS BLOOD DRIVE**

Charlotte, NC – On Monday, Tryon Distributing teamed up with OneBlood to host its fourth blood drive. Through safe social distancing and sterilized means, the blood drive was set up in our Charlotte warehouse’s conference room. Throughout the afternoon, many Charlotte-based Tryon employees stopped by to donate their time and blood to help save a life.

“One of our core values at Tryon is to ‘always do the right thing’ and that is one of the big reasons why we hold regular blood drives at our Charlotte office. It is just the right thing to do. This made the third time I’ve participated in one of our blood drives and while this time was a little different due to having to follow proper social distancing protocol, it still made me incredibly proud to see so many of our people willing to donate blood,” said VP of Business Development, Ed Johnston.

While similar to organizations like the Red Cross, OneBlood maintains affiliations with prominent organizations in the health industry. OneBlood services much of North Carolina, and every blood donation received at our warehouse will be used in and around the Charlotte area to help local individuals. This was a key aspect for us, as we are striving as a company to help our community as much as possible during this pandemic.

Johnston continued, “Partnering with OneBlood was especially rewarding because it means the blood we donated will go directly to helping people in our local community, and giving back to the community which has done so much for us over the last 35 years is really amazing.”

As a bonus to employees who chose to donate their blood, OneBlood is testing all donations for the COVID-19 antibody. This will help our employees know if they had the virus but were asymptomatic.

Tryon Distributing is a Charlotte-based craft beer and wine distribution company started 35 years ago with three people and has grown into a statewide distributor with 270 employees. They are proud to be family-owned and operated.