



SEPTEMBER 2020 - SPECIAL EDITION

# Sickle Cell Awareness Month

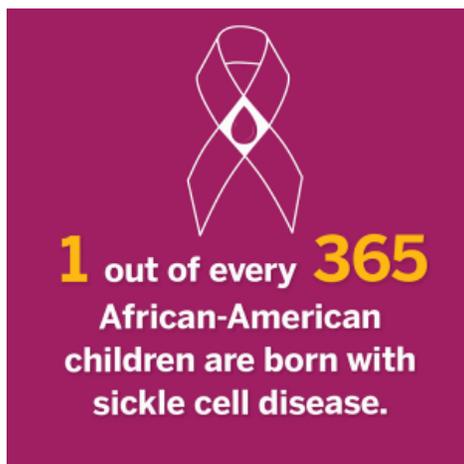
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Right click to save the above image to your device. Then post on your own social media pages and tell us how sickle cell has affected your life. Use #SickleCellMatters #SickleCellMattersWalkMI and tag us @sicklecellmichigan.

## Raising Sickle Cell Awareness

September is Sickle Cell Awareness Month! We're asking you to help us raise consciousness around sickle cell by using your voice, your networks, your time, and your resources. Take action to make a difference!



Versiti and American Red Cross blood drives support sickle cell



Host a Sickle Sabbath at your place of worship

Thousands of people with sickle cell rely on blood transfusions to maintain their health. The best matches come from someone with the same ethnic background. Make a plan to donate. Help diversify our blood supply.

[Versiti Blood Centers](#)

[American Red Cross](#)

Sickle cell disease starts with sickle cell trait and can affect anyone of any race or ethnicity.

We welcome all faiths to join us in educating their members about the prevalence of sickle cell disease, how it's inherited, and why it all starts with being certain about your sickle cell trait status.

[Sickle Sabbath](#)

## 2020 Sickle Cell Matters Virtual Walk

#SickleCellMattersWalkMI



  
**2020 SICKLE CELL MATTERS  
VIRTUAL WALK**  
9.19.2020  
**Join where you are & Move how you choose**

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**WWW.SCDAAMI.ORG/2020WALK**  
**Register (\$20) - Fundraise - Compete**

Legacy Warrior Salute - Fallen Warrior Tribute -  
T-Shirt & Poster Contest - Fundraising Awards - Dance!



[Fundraise - Start a Team - Donate](#)



**ARE YOU A #SICKLECELLWARRIOR  
WHO'S 40 OR OLDER?**

**Join our celebration!**

Our Sickle Cell Matters Virtual Walk on Sept. 19 will feature a Salute to Legacy Warriors and you're invited (no matter where you live). Learn more and sign up at [sdaami.org/2020walk](http://sdaami.org/2020walk).


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[Legacy Warrior Salute](#)



[Learn the #SickleSlide](#)

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**2020 Sickle Cell Matters Virtual Walk T-SHIRT & POSTER CONTEST**

Enter\* your design for the chance to win a \$100 gift card!

Post a photo on social media wearing your T-shirt or holding your poster using #SickleCellLivesMatter.

Deadline to enter: Sept. 5th  
Winner announced on Facebook @sicklecellmichigan Sept. 9th.  
\*Must be a walk supporter to enter.

For more info, visit [sddaami.org/2020walk](http://sddaami.org/2020walk)

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**T-Shirt/Poster Contest**

*A time to remember those who've passed away*

Have you lost a loved one to sickle cell? Allow us to honor their life during our Tribute to Michigan's Fallen Warriors at the Sickle Cell Matters Virtual Walk, Sept. 19.

Learn more at [sddaami.org/2020walk](http://sddaami.org/2020walk).

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**Fallen Warriors Tribute**

wipe. . .wipe. . .wipe. . .wipe it. . .

All you need is a mirror, cleaning supplies, your before . . .wipe it . . . and your after.

Join the #WarriorsWipeItDown challenge. Post your video and tag us @SickleCellMichigan.

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**#WarriorsWipeItDown**

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**WALK**

Early voting starts Sept. 19th in Michigan. Amplify your voice through our virtual walk. Request your absentee ballot now and walk it to the box that day. Learn more about voting in Michigan at [sddaami.org/legislative-action](http://sddaami.org/legislative-action).

**VOTE**

**#BringYourBallotToTheBoxMI**

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