

ORGAN DONATION SAVES LIVES



The NEED for Organ Donation

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Nearly 10,000 people in New York are waiting for a lifesaving transplant.



On average, 17 people in the US die every day waiting for a lifesaving transplant.



Diabetes and high blood pressure can contribute to the need for a transplant.

40%

40% of NYS residents are registered organ donors.

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60%

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Lauren is one of the nearly 10,000 New Yorkers waiting for a lifesaving transplant. At the age of 12, she was diagnosed with hypertrophic cardiomyopathy, an incurable condition that restricts blood flow from the heart. She is currently on the waiting list for a new heart. Even the simplest task, like getting her daughter ready for school, can bring on chest pains and force her to stop what she is doing and rest. Until she gets that heart she makes an extra effort to enjoy every minute spent with her family. She dreams of the day she gets a new heart and has the energy to run and play with her daughter.



1 organ donor can save up to 8 lives.

FACTS ABOUT ORGAN DONATION

Aiden Got a Second Chance at Life



Aiden was born with a rare genetic disorder that was damaging his liver. He was so sick that a simple cold could land him in the hospital. At just 27 months old, he underwent his first transplant. Unfortunately, he developed a blood clot which necessitated a second liver transplant three months later. The second transplant was a success and now Aiden is a happy, healthy boy who enjoys karate and basketball. His mom shares, "Our donor families gave our son a chance to live a better quality of life. A day does not go by without us thinking about how their decisions has forever changed the narrative of his life."

The FACTS about Organ Donation



Because organ donation saves lives, major religions celebrate it as a final act of kindness.



Registering as an organ donor does not change your medical care.



Organ donation is often possible even with certain health conditions.



The organ donation process follows strict guidelines to ensure fairness and equity.



The oldest donor in New York was 93 years old.



1 organ donor can save up to 8 lives and heal up to 50 lives through tissue donation.

What Can You Do?



Talk to your loved ones about organ donation



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