



Gift of Life Donor Program Overview Leader in Saving Lives for 50 Years

Gift of Life Donor Program, one of the leading organ procurement organizations (OPO) in the United States for more than 50 years, works around-the-clock to support donor families in the hospital and coordinate the recovery of precious organs and tissues from deceased donor heroes to save and heal lives through transplantation.

As the non-profit, federally designated OPO headquartered in Philadelphia, Gift of Life:

- Serves 11.3 million people across the eastern half of Pennsylvania, southern New Jersey and Delaware and was the **largest provider of life-saving organs** for transplant in those states in 2024.
- Works in partnership with the 124 acute care hospitals and 12 transplant centers in its designated service area as well as hundreds of transplant centers throughout the country.
- Ranks in Tier 1 of CMS (Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services) OPO donation and transplant performance metrics.
- Provides the most comprehensive array of services available in the U.S. in the donation and transplantation community:
 - These include full-service tissue recovery, an eye bank, organ preservation and transport for living kidney donation, and a dedicated donor care center for organ recovery.

Leader in Organ & Tissue Donation

Thanks to its generous community, Gift of Life:

- Has coordinated 14,880 donors and 41,140 organs for transplant, **the most of any OPO in the U.S.** since the start of our national donation system in 1989.
- Has coordinated more than 62,000 organs and more than two million tissue transplants overall since its founding in 1974.

Leader in Most-Needed Kidneys

A half million people in the U.S. are suffering from End-Stage Renal Disease, with 90 percent of transplant-waitlist patients in the nation needing a kidney transplant. Gift of Life is the U.S. leader in providing kidneys – the most-needed organ for transplant:

- Coordinated 947 kidney transplants in 2024, **the most in the U.S. for the ninth year in a row.**
- Has coordinated 21,772 kidney transplants overall, **the most in U.S. history.**

Leader in Advocacy

Gift of Life is rallying the community to increase the donor registry by 50,000 to honor its **50 years of saving lives**. It is fast, easy and private to sign up at donor.org/giftlife any time.