



Team Information

Team Philadelphia is a group of transplant recipients, living donors, donor families, and supporters from the eastern half of Pennsylvania, southern New Jersey and Delaware who attend the Transplant Games of America every other summer. The Transplant Games is an Olympic-style competition for recipients and living donors of all ages to promote the success of transplantation, to raise awareness for the urgent need of organ and tissue donation and to honor donors and their families who have so generously given the gift of life.

Competitive events are open to organ, tissue and corneal transplant recipients, living donors and bone marrow recipients. Donor families are invited to attend special events including Transplant Workshops, the Donor Tribute Ceremony, a butterfly release and much more.

The Transplant Games are much more than an athletic event. They are a celebration for all those whose lives were touched by organ and tissue donation and transplantation. The Transplant Games will bring together more than 9,000 participants from around the United States with one common goal: to raise awareness of the need for organ and tissue donation and to increase the number of registered organ, tissue and eye donors.

Team Member Expectations

Beyond the fun of participating in the Transplant Games of America, membership on Team Philadelphia is about saving and improving lives. By promoting organ, tissue and cornea donation and sharing success stories of transplantation, Team Philadelphia members help increase donation and the number of organs and tissues available for transplant. Team members are expected to support this mission by:

- **Participating** in public awareness events leading up to and after the Transplant Games of America
- **Connecting** with members of communities where Team Philadelphia members live, work, worship, and connect to raise awareness and build support for donation and transplantation.
- **Volunteering** with Gift of Life in one or more of the following ways:
 - *Attend a [Gift of Life Ambassador Program](#) meeting/training*
 - *[Share Your Story](#) with the Gift of Life Communications Team to help promote organ and tissue donation*
 - *[Request a Speaker](#) for your house of worship, school, or community group*
 - *Sign up for the [Home Cook Heroes Program](#) or [Host an Activity](#) at Gift of Life Howie's House*
 - *Sign up for a Gift of Life [volunteer opportunity](#) provided in the weekly volunteer emails*
 - *Following [@donors1](#) on social media (Instagram, Facebook, LinkedIn, X, etc) and resharing stories*

Team members are also expected to adhere to all Transplant Games of America and Team Philadelphia rules during the event. Team Philadelphia expects all members to be respectful of the Games and their colleagues, to act as an ambassador for donation and transplantation at all times, and to ensure that all participants are physically capable of participating in the Games and their events. Team Philadelphia does not have sufficient staff to provide medical assistance at the Games – if you require assistance, please make sure you travel with a companion who is able to assist you.

Team Philadelphia Oath

I promise that in being a member of Team Philadelphia I will:

- Adhere to all the rules and regulations of the Transplant Games of America and Team Philadelphia
- Serve the Gift of Life community through volunteering and raising funds to support Team Philadelphia
- Act as an ambassador for Gift of Life and Team Philadelphia at all times
- Be kind
- Have fun
- BE LOUD
- Be Proud
- Be a part of a dedicated, loving and passionate community that honors donor families, recipients, and living donors through support of the Transplant Games of America.

