

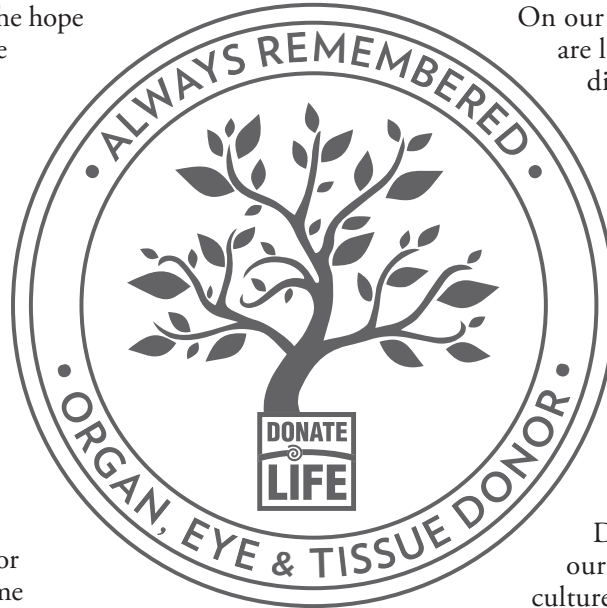
# Organ and Tissue Donation for Coroners and Medical Examiners

## Generosity

Organ and tissue donation offers the hope to heal. Many people register to be donors at the DMV or online to ensure they help others through their gifts of organs and tissues. At a time of tragedy, families generously give so others can live. Many families find comfort knowing the legacy of their loved one continues.

## Facts

- One donor can save the lives of 8 with organ donation, and heal another 50 with donated tissue.
- 21 people die each day waiting for an organ that doesn't come in time
- Since 1989, it's estimated that more than 2 million years of extended life because of organ transplantation



## Qualified Professionals

On our staff at Donor Network West are licensed embalmers and funeral directors. Their extensive experience provides a unique resource to Coroners, Medical Examiners and Funeral Homes.

## Donate Life

Recognized as the national organization and symbol for organ, eye and tissue donation, Donate Life organizations inspire our communities to embrace the culture of donation. We partner with the states DMV offices to enroll individuals on the state-authorized donor registries.

## Investigation Assistance

Coroner Deputy and/or Pathologist may be present during the recovery of organs for personal observation and evidence. Donor Network West can provide items that may of assistance to investigations if available and as requested. The list includes but not limited to:

- Brain Death Note(s)
- Medical Social History
- Prior Medical Records
- Paramedic Run-Sheet
- Hospital Admission Blood
- Communicable Disease Serology Panel Results
- Toxicology Panel Results
- X-Rays with Pathology Report
- CT Scans
- Echocardiogram/EKG
- Bronchoscopy
- Forensic Photography During Organ Recovery
- Blood Samples Prior to Organ Recovery
- Histology Samples from Recovered Organs
- Bile and Vitreous Fluid

## We're Here to Help

### Pediatric Cases

Additional resources that may be requested:

- Child Abuse Specialists
- Kempe Series/Bone Scans
- Retinal Exams



## DONOR NETWORK WEST

*Heal a life through organ and tissue donation*

Donor Network West saves and heals lives by facilitating organ and tissue recovery for transplantation. The organization was established in 1987, and is an official Donate Life organization accredited by the Association of Organ Procurement Organizations (AOPO) and the American Association of Tissue Banks (AATB). Federally designated to serve 40 counties in northern California and Nevada, Donor Network West partners with the Department of Motor Vehicles and the state-authorized donor registries.

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