



Andrea (left) received a second chance at life thanks to a heart transplant in 2017. Her heart donor was a young woman named Lydia who was in an accident that year. Shortly after her transplant, she received a letter from Lydia's mother Kelly (right), and the two have been connected by the bond of donation ever since.

IMPACT REPORT

ABOUT LIFELINE OF OHIO

Established in 1984, Lifeline of Ohio is an independent, nonprofit organ procurement organization (OPO) whose purpose is to promote and coordinate the donation of human organs, eyes and tissues for transplant. We are designated by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) of the United States Department of Health and Human Services. As a licensed tissue bank, Lifeline of Ohio's tissue recovery services are regulated by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA).

Mission

Lifeline of Ohio's mission is to empower our community to save and heal lives through organ, eye and tissue donation.

Vision

Our vision is a community where every individual embraces organ, eye and tissue donation.

Values

We value compassion, advocacy, integrity, excellence and collaboration.

- The need for registered donors is **urgent**.
- **Once every 48 hours**, an Ohioan dies waiting for a lifesaving organ transplant — in the last 10 years, more than 3,500 Ohioans have died waiting.
- Transplantation is the only cure for many life-threatening diseases. Today there are over **105,000 Americans** on the national transplant waiting list and more than 3,200 waiting in Ohio.
- Registering your decision to donate is critical. Last year, over **530 Ohioans donated** organs at the time of their death, resulting in more than 1,700 lifesaving transplants. Organ donation occurs primarily when a person dies on a ventilator, accounting for less than one percent of all deaths.



Lisa and Marshall, a kidney recipient

HOW WE MAKE A DIFFERENCE

Recover organs and tissues for transplantation

- Saving and healing lives through organ, eye and tissue procurement.
- Providing education and resources to hospitals and funeral homes to improve the donation process.
- Acquiring placenta donations for healing grafts.

2020 Donor Facts

165

Organ Donors

517

Organs Transplanted

453

Tissue Donors

235

Eye Donors


199

Placenta Donors

Care for donor families and honor legacies

- Providing comfort and support to donor families through bereavement services such as counseling resources and workshops, grief materials and Shaws of Support program.
- Building legacies to honor heroes of donation through shadowboxes, remembrance quilts and special memorial events.
- Honoring heroes of donation on Lifeline of Ohio's Donor Memorial.

Advocate for donation in the community



Spreading the donation message at community events and public schools in Central and Southeastern Ohio.

Expanding multicultural outreach to empower all communities to make informed decisions.

Building partnerships with organizations in the community to advocate for donation.

GIVE

Financial contributions support donor family aftercare services, community outreach and donation education and support general operations of Lifeline of Ohio. Give online at lifelineofohio.org/contribute.

Give by mail:

Lifeline of Ohio
ATTN: Contributions
770 Kinnear Rd.
Columbus, OH 43212

PARTNER

Lifeline of Ohio invites your company, hospital or organization to join us in raising awareness of the need for organ, eye and tissue donation. We offer a variety of free materials to help you share the message of donation with your friends, colleagues and community.

If you are interested in sponsoring an event or partnering with Lifeline of Ohio, please contact our Development Specialist at development@lifelineofohio.org.

VOLUNTEER

Lifeline of Ohio volunteers play a tremendous role as Donate Life Ambassadors in our efforts to spread the message of donation.

Interested in volunteering with us? Visit lifelineofohio.org/get-involved/volunteer

Carol, a kidney recipient



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