

Be someone's cure.

BONE MARROW & BLOOD STEM CELL DONATION

Blood cancers, sickle cell and other diseases can be cured with a marrow or blood stem cell donation from a genetically matched donor.

If you are age 18-44:



Register online



Return a cheek swab kit



Say "Yes" if called as a match

YOU could be someone's only genetic match—their only hope for a cure.

Join the Be The Match Registry at:

Join BeTheMatch.org/Nebraska
or
Text [Nebraska](tel:61474) to 61474

Patients and their families are counting on you

NEBRASKA

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There's life to give.

You can make a difference by registering as an organ, tissue and marrow donor.



LIVE ON nebraska

Organ and tissue donation and advocacy

BE  THE MATCH®

You can give a second chance.

Someday in the future, a person you've never met—a mom, a grandparent or a child yet to experience life's joys—will need a transplant. You may never see the recipient family's tears of relief, but they will be because of you. Today, hundreds in Nebraska and more than 100,000 people nationwide are in need of a transplant. The need will continue, and you can help.

ORGAN & TISSUE DONATION

Our bodies have an amazing ability to benefit others. Through organ and tissue donation, one person can save and improve the lives of up to 100 people.

COMMON ORGANS AND TISSUES DONATED INCLUDE:

ORGANS	TISSUES
Heart	Corneas
Lungs	Heart valves
Kidneys	Skin
Liver	Veins
Small intestine	Bone
Pancreas	Tendons

These gifts help patients with conditions such as diabetes, hepatitis, heart disease, breast cancer, sports injuries, burns and many others.

THE FACTS ABOUT ORGAN & TISSUE DONATION

- More than 110,000 Americans are waiting for a lifesaving organ transplant. Twenty people die each day because an organ is not available for them.
- Anyone age 16 or over can register to be a donor regardless of their age or health.
- Donation is free for the donor's family.
- Organs are matched based on compatibility, distance to the donor and recipient urgency. Organs are never matched based on someone's race, gender, income or social status.
- Great care is taken to honor the donor's body. An open-casket funeral is almost always possible following donation.
- The first priority of a medical professional is to save a patient's life. Registering as a donor does not affect an individual's medical care.

LIVING DONATION

Organs are most commonly donated after the donor's death. However, living donation is a chance to help a family member, friend or even a total stranger while we're still alive. Common living donations include a kidney or a portion of the liver. There is no fee for the screening process and costs associated with donation are covered by the recipient's health insurance.

To learn more or to be considered for living donation, contact your local transplant center. In Nebraska, call Nebraska Medicine at 800-401-4444.

"You just never know how your life can impact someone else."



Jeremiah Robbins was only months old when he received a heart transplant. Now he's a healthy, joyful boy who loves playing football with his brothers and sisters.

REGISTER TODAY

Visit [LiveOnNebraska.org](https://www.LiveOnNebraska.org) and complete a short form.

Check the organ donor box when renewing your driver's license.

Please share your decision to become a donor with your family. They will play an important role in supporting your decision and providing information that affects the outcome of your donation.

LEARN MORE

Live On Nebraska is dedicated to transforming lives through donation, partnering with hospitals in Nebraska to facilitate the recovery of organs and tissues from those who choose to donate life.

To learn more about organ and tissue donation, visit [LiveOnNebraska.org](https://www.LiveOnNebraska.org) or call 402-733-1800.