

# Connection

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Tim Brown (l) poses with donor mom, Yvonne Perry (r), at the Donor Family Gathering event on Oct. 25, 2014.

# Greetings

From President and CEO, Tim Brown

Super Bowl fever has come and gone from the University of Phoenix Stadium with an impressive showing of talent from the players that took the field. In fact, the level of athleticism required to compete in the National Football League (NFL) means that just two percent of National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) college football players are drafted into the NFL. Interestingly enough, this is about the same chance we all have of being able to donate organs for transplantation.

The gift of saving lives through organ donation puts donors in a special group. Of the thousands of people who passed away in Arizona in 2014, just 158 of those went on to have organs recovered for transplantation. These generous donors saved the lives of 427 people, but as our state's waiting list nears 2,500, we remain mindful of our need for increasing donation through our registry and outstanding donation processes.

While last year was exceptional for saving lives through organ donation, it was a record-setting year for saving and healing lives through tissue donation. More than 1,200 Arizonans gave the gift of tissue in 2014, exceeding any other year. These donors will save and heal tens of thousands of lives over the next three years, while Arizona's 933 cornea donors will give the gift of sight to many others.

As we find joy in the newfound health of organ and tissue recipients and honor the legacy and selflessness of all our donors, be they willing donors, organ donors or eye and tissue donors, we look ahead to our upcoming April events commemorating National Donate Life Month. Health Care for Hope and Donate Life Day with the Diamondbacks put the topic of donation on center stage.

We welcome all of our supporters to once again join us during Donate Life Month in April to encourage family, friends, coworkers and neighbors to make the decision to share life with others. Like a running back without blockers, DNA would cover much less ground without our amazing professional, health care and community partners.

I look forward to seeing you in April!

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*"Leadership initiated a process to make ocular and tissue donation more efficient!"*

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# life SAVER

*Thank you for being a lifesaver and a champion for donation!*



(from l to r) : Gerardo Higginson, Juan Villa and Patricia Batres

## Equipo Univisión

Univisión 33 Arizona and Univisión Radio both have stellar teams that go above and beyond when it comes to supporting organ, eye and tissue donation. Attend any Donate Life Arizona or Done Vida Arizona event and there will likely be a camera or microphone from the news organization broadcasting the message of donation. At last year's Done Vida Desayuno event on Aug. 1, the whole Univisión team helped promote donation by taking photos of themselves with Donate Life promotional scarves and sharing the photos on their social media sites. It would be impossible to choose just one member of this team for recognition, as each and every one of them works hard to make sure the voices promoting donation are heard loud and clear. Thank you, Univisión teams, for all you do to help spread the word!

A previous edition of the Connection incorrectly listed Kim Hilty's place of employment. Kim Hilty, RN is a house supervisor at Banner – University Medical Center Tucson.



DNA Hospital Development Coordinator Kristin Schwartz congratulates Banner – University Medical Center Tucson staff on winning Outstanding Hospital Effort at DNA’s Donation Celebration on Sept. 22, 2014. (From l to r): Kristin Schwartz, Abdulwahab Al-Saleh, Stacy Al-Saleh, Kim Hilty, Dr. Mark Bazzell, Aubreena Maulsby, Kevin Storey and Nicki Stubbs.

# Hospitals Champion Donation in 2014

Each year, Arizonans’ gifts of organ, eye and tissue donation change the lives of thousands of people across the United States, and 2014 was no exception. Last year, more Arizonans than ever before gave the life-saving and life-healing gift of tissue donation.

Those 1,224 tissue donors will help tens of thousands of people over the next three years; restoring mobility, preventing limb amputation, healing severe burns, and providing hope for the countless people who face surgical procedures that require donated tissue.

Last year, 933 Arizonan eye donors also gave the gift of sight to more than 1,000 recipients who lost their vision due to trauma or degenerative disease.

While 2014’s numbers reflect the selflessness of friends, family and neighbors right here in Arizona, they also call attention to the work done by Donor Network of Arizona’s (DNA) health care partners across the state.

Each year, Arizona health care organizations join DNA in challenging themselves to realize Arizona’s potential for saving and healing lives through donation. Many hospitals champion best practices that focus on donor family care and procedural excellence.

Banner – University Medical Center Tucson excels in donor family support. Banner – University Medical Center Tucson opens its bereavement program to DNA participation. With this program, DNA partners with the hospital to walk side-by-side with donor families through the grief of losing a loved one.



MIHS donation champions celebrate Donate Life Month on April 11, 2014.

Additionally, Banner – University Medical Center Tucson and St. Joseph’s Hospital and Medical Center host annual donor family ceremonies to honor the donors who passed away at their hospitals. During these ceremonies, donor families gather together and are invited to speak about their loved ones. The families then receive a token of gratitude in the form of a Ben’s Bell or a Paolo Soleri Windbell, which symbolize the resonating impacts made by intentional kindness, in these cases, organ, eye and donation.

Another example of an Arizona hospital donation champion is Maricopa Integrated Health Systems (MIHS), whose donation committee meets once per month. One of the committee’s recent goals is to improve donor referral times by continuously educating staff about hospital referral policies and timelines. Improved referral time ensures that DNA is able to offer the option of donation to families after the loss of a loved one.

MIHS succeeded in improving referral times, which in 2014 allowed many families to choose donation or honor their loved one’s decision to donate. The hospital’s commitment to timely referrals resulted in eight organ donors, six eye donors and 11 tissue donors, saving 28 lives and healing and giving the gift of sight to dozens.

Though these are just a few examples of the many Arizona hospitals that strive for excellence in the field of donation and transplantation, DNA extends its deepest thanks to all health care partners who help make the most of life.

**2014**  
158 organ donors saved 427 lives!

# Looking Forward: Donate Life Month

**A**t Donor Network of Arizona (DNA), April requires lots of planning and hard work as the organization gears up to participate in National Donate Life Month. Events, registry campaigns and celebrations of many kinds bring supporters together from all parts of the donation community, and for Mark Larson, one of Donate Life Arizona's most dedicated volunteers, April brings many opportunities to share his transplant story.

Diagnosed with a severe case of nephropathy, a disease that damages the filtering units of the kidney, Larson received a living kidney transplant. Unfortunately, the disease that compromised his own kidneys also damaged the donated kidney. Larson waited almost six years for a second transplant. Finally, in 1996, he received the transplant that has maintained his health and vitality for the past 18 years. Larson now shares his story with others as a Donate Life Arizona volunteer.

**"Education plays a prominent role in my life," Larson says. "So, I shouldn't be surprised to say that educating the public about organ and tissue donation is what I enjoy most about volunteering."**

Larson and many other volunteers will help DNA kick off National Donate Life Month by staffing events as part of a registry campaign called Health Care for Hope. This month-long event gets hospitals and health care organizations involved in educating the public about donation and encouraging people in their communities to register. This year, DNA aims to register 4,000 organ, eye and tissue donors through this campaign.

Kidney recipient, Mark Larson (fourth from right), volunteered at a registry event at Scottsdale Healthcare Osborn last April.



Claudia Flaherty and Reggie encourage fans to register as donors at Donate Life Day with the D-backs on April 11, 2014.

Also coming up in April is Donate Life Day with the D-backs. For the ninth year in a row, DNA teams up with the Arizona Diamondbacks to bring a night of fun and recognition to the donation community. Donate Life Arizona volunteers will staff a registration table at Chase Field as the D-backs take on their division rivals, the Los Angeles Dodgers, at 1:10 p.m. on Sunday, April 12. Donor families and transplant recipients will also be recognized in an on-field ceremony before the game, and all supporters who purchase a ticket in the Donate Life Arizona section will receive a free Donate Life T-shirt and gift from the D-backs. To purchase tickets, contact Johanna Imperial of the Arizona Diamondbacks at [Jimperial@dbacks.com](mailto:Jimperial@dbacks.com).

Topping off this year's National Donate Life Month is the celebration of Blue & Green Day on April 17. All members of the donation community are encouraged to wear Donate Life colors during this nationally recognized date, but DNA will take it a step further by bringing Blue & Green Day to the Arizona Department of Transportation Motor Vehicle Division (ADOT MVD) to honor their registration efforts.

National Donate Life Month inspires members of the community to help promote donation, and this year's events will bring great attention to the life-saving and life-healing gifts given by organ, eye and tissue donors.

# Where the Donation Process Begins

The donor referral phone call from Arizona hospitals and other organizations to Donor Network of Arizona (DNA) is the first step in the organ, eye and tissue donation process. To better serve its partners, DNA has revised and streamlined the referral process within Referral and Donor Services (RDS) Department.

When a health care partner places a donor referral call to DNA, the representative now has the option to select the type of referral call from an automated prompt. This will direct the caller to a DNA employee who specializes in that referral type.

This employee will be one of DNA's RDS lead donor support coordinators or donor support coordinators.

With this improved phone procedure, DNA offers a more seamless referral process to its health care partners. Streamlining how DNA answers referral calls is designed to decrease the length of time health care representatives spend on the phone during the referral process.

Additionally, for the first time ever, DNA has dedicated family support advocates available in its RDS Department. These individuals, who have backgrounds in social work, counseling, clergy and the like, will initiate the donation conversation with families for tissue and eye donation over the telephone. They are also available to answer incoming calls from donor families.

"Referral and Donor Services is where every donation case begins," says Vice President of Development and Referral Services Sara Pace Jones. "Our service to donor families and the community depends on our excellence in this communication."

"With nearly 25,000 potential referrals received by DNA in 2014, improvements to the referral process will certainly help us meet our mission to make the most of life through the gifts of organ and tissue donation."



RDS team members, Kim Davis and Melissa Gallagher, answer incoming referral calls for DNA.

## Halfway There: Arizona Reaches 50 Percent Registration

As of February 2015, nearly 2.5 million Arizonans are registered organ, eye and tissue donors with the DonateLifeAZ Registry.

Thanks to all of the Arizonans who register to be hope and generosity for others, more than half of the state's adult population (based on the most recent 2010 United States Census data) chooses to share life.

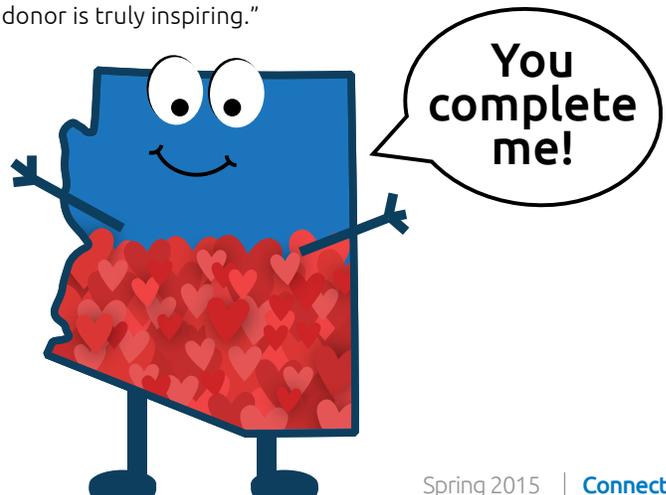
The news that half of Arizona's adult population is registered as donors thrills Bob Scanlan of Phoenix.

Seventeen years ago, Scanlan noticed his appearance changing. An active and healthy man, he questioned why his stomach bloated and his skin yellowed. As his strength diminished, Scanlan received a call from his doctor. He needed a liver transplant immediately.

Scanlan received the life-saving gift of a new liver, and his health improved. However, 10 years later, Scanlan learned that his donated liver, and also his kidneys, were deteriorating. This time, a liver/kidney transplant saved Scanlan's life.

A three-time organ recipient, Scanlan calls himself "the luckiest guy you'll ever meet" and is thankful for all the Arizonans who sign up with the DonateLifeAZ Registry.

"I understand the anxiety and stress of wondering if the gift from a total stranger will be available to save my life," says Scanlan. "To see that more than 50 percent of Arizonans have responded to this unconditional act of love by registering as a donor is truly inspiring."



# Volunteers Shine in the Fiesta Bowl Parade

Saturday, Dec. 27, 2014 was an early and exciting morning for Lisa Le Ger as she made the drive from her home in the North Valley to Central Phoenix. She headed to the staging area of the Fiesta Bowl Parade where she would meet up with a special group of people for a unique purpose.

"I think it's so important for Donate Life to be out in the public eye," says Le Ger. "It is a great opportunity to make people aware of donation – you never know when a family member, a friend or a loved one may need a transplant to save their life."

Le Ger joined the Donate Life Arizona parade unit, made up of transplant recipient volunteers and their families, donor family volunteers, Donor Network of Arizona staff, students from Cactus and Horizon high schools, and a 20-foot tall helium balloon of Reggie the Donor Cactus.

Le Ger gathered with the most dynamic members of the parade unit; seven other donor families and recipient sign holders. She also carried a poster in honor of her father, Bob Kelley, a 2012 liver recipient.



Donate Life Arizona participated in the Fiesta Bowl Parade on Dec. 27, 2014.

"I love meeting these families," she says. "The donation and transplant world is full of wonderful, caring people."

Shouts and applause from onlookers inspired the Donate Life Arizona group as they walked the three-mile parade route. The overwhelmingly positive response they received highlights the support Arizonans show for organ, eye and tissue donation.

## Media Highlights

### Racing at the Speed of Life

When 18-year-old Joey Gase faced the sudden death of his mother, Mary Jo Gase, in 2011, Joey chose to donate her organs and tissues in honor of Mary Jo's kind spirit. Now 21 and a rising star in NASCAR's Xfinity and Sprint Cup Series, Joey dedicates his racing career to the Donate Life message.

On Nov. 8, 2014, Joey hosted the Parker family of Arizona and the Thompson family of Minnesota for NASCAR weekend at Phoenix International Raceway (PIR). Though these families appear quite different from a professional NASCAR driver, they all share the special bond of knowing first-hand how donation changes lives.

In August of 2011, Addison Parker passed away at just 4 years old from undetected Type 1 diabetes. Addie's parents, Micki and Darrell Parker, chose generosity in the face of grief and donated Addie's organs, eyes and tissues. Addie healed dozens of lives and saved four, including that of 14-month-old Grant Thompson. Addie's liver gave Grant renewed health and his family renewed hope after nearly a year of preparing for their little boy's death.

Now a healthy 4-year-old, Grant, his brothers Zachary and Owen, and his parents, Jackie and Kyle, love the Parker family as part of their own.

"The Thompsons are our family now," says Micki. "Seeing Addie live on in this little boy has brought us peace in her passing."

AZ Family (KTVK) shared a feature segment on the Thompson and Parker families, whose story received national coverage. Reporter Nick VinZant of ABC 15 (KNXV) interviewed Joey and the Parker and Thompson families at PIR for a morning race weekend segment.



Donor mom, Micki Parker, and her brother, Kevin Swafford, embrace after seeing Addison Parker's photo on the Donate Life car.

# Arizonans' Stories Never End

## 2015 Donate Life Float



(from l to r): Robert Gonzales, Lysa and Jazmyn Creason, and Steve and Sandy Florence enjoy the Donate Life Float Gala on Dec. 29, 2014.

On Thursday, Jan. 1, 2015, the streets of Pasadena, Calif. swarmed with thousands of people awaiting the start of the annual Rose Parade. As the vibrant floats glided down Colorado Blvd., one in particular received a burst of applause, smiles and tears. The 12th annual Donate Life Float, titled, "The Never-Ending Story," paid tribute to the legacies left by organ, eye and tissue donors and the continued life and renewed health of transplant recipients.

Representing donation and transplantation in Arizona for the 2015 Donate Life Float were the Florence family of Glendale and the Creason family of Tucson.

On May 3, 2007, 19-year-old Joshua Florence hugged his mother goodbye and left the house to take care of some errands. While Josh waited at a red light, a speeding car struck him from behind and took Josh's young life.

During this unthinkable tragedy of losing a child, Josh's parents, Steve and Sandy Florence, made the decision to donate Josh's organs and tissues to help others in need. "He was such a kind and caring person," says Sandy. "We know Josh would have wanted to help others through donation because he lived his life so selflessly."

Josh saved four lives through organ donation after he passed away and healed dozens more through tissue donation. To honor Josh's legacy of hope and generosity, his floragraph, a portrait made entirely of organic materials like flowers and dried fruits, adorned the 2015 Donate Life Float. Josh's floragraph hung among 71 others that told the stories of organ, eye and tissue donors from all across the United States.

While the Donate Life Float paid tribute to donors like Josh for their life-saving and life-healing gifts, the float also celebrated the renewed health of transplant recipients. Jazmyn Creason, along with 29 other organ, eye and tissue recipients, rode the Donate Life Float through the streets of Pasadena as a visualization of all of the lives saved and healed through donation.

In December of 2009, while getting ready for softball practice, 16-year-old Jazmyn experienced a sharp pain in her side unlike anything she had ever felt. Just two months later, Jazmyn's doctors diagnosed her with a rare liver condition, Caroli disease. Jazmyn's only hope was a liver transplant.

Six children's hospitals, 13 infections and countless medical procedures later, Jazmyn received a life-saving liver transplant on Feb. 13, 2011.

Jazmyn knows very little about her donor, just that he was an 18-year-old car accident victim in California whose selfless gifts saved seven other lives.

Jazmyn and her mother, Lysa Creason, are now outspoken advocates for donation, hoping to be a voice for young recipients like Jazmyn and young donors like the person who saved her. "It's because of a young man in California that Jazmyn is with us today," says Lysa. "We just want to make sure we're keeping this wonderful message going."

While riding the Donate Life Float, Jazmyn held a photo of Josh for the Florence family, her way of thanking his family for their decision to say yes to donation. "I was honored that the Florences asked me to hold Josh's photo," says Jazmyn. "He saved so many lives, just like my donor, and I'm happy to have a part in sharing his story."

Along with the 72 donor floragraphs and the 30 recipient float riders, 12 people walked along with the Donate Life Float, all of whom were living kidney donors. These 12 individuals donated kidneys to family, friends and, in some cases, perfect strangers. The living donors walked and demonstrated their own excellent health and vitality after giving the gift of life to someone else.

The stories represented by each floragraph, float rider and float walker bore witness to the more than one million people

touched by donation and transplantation each year, and the beauty of these stories was matched by the physical beauty of the float itself.

Each of the 72 floragraphs adorned the spine of a book, symbolizing the stories and legacies that live on because of the decision to share life with others.

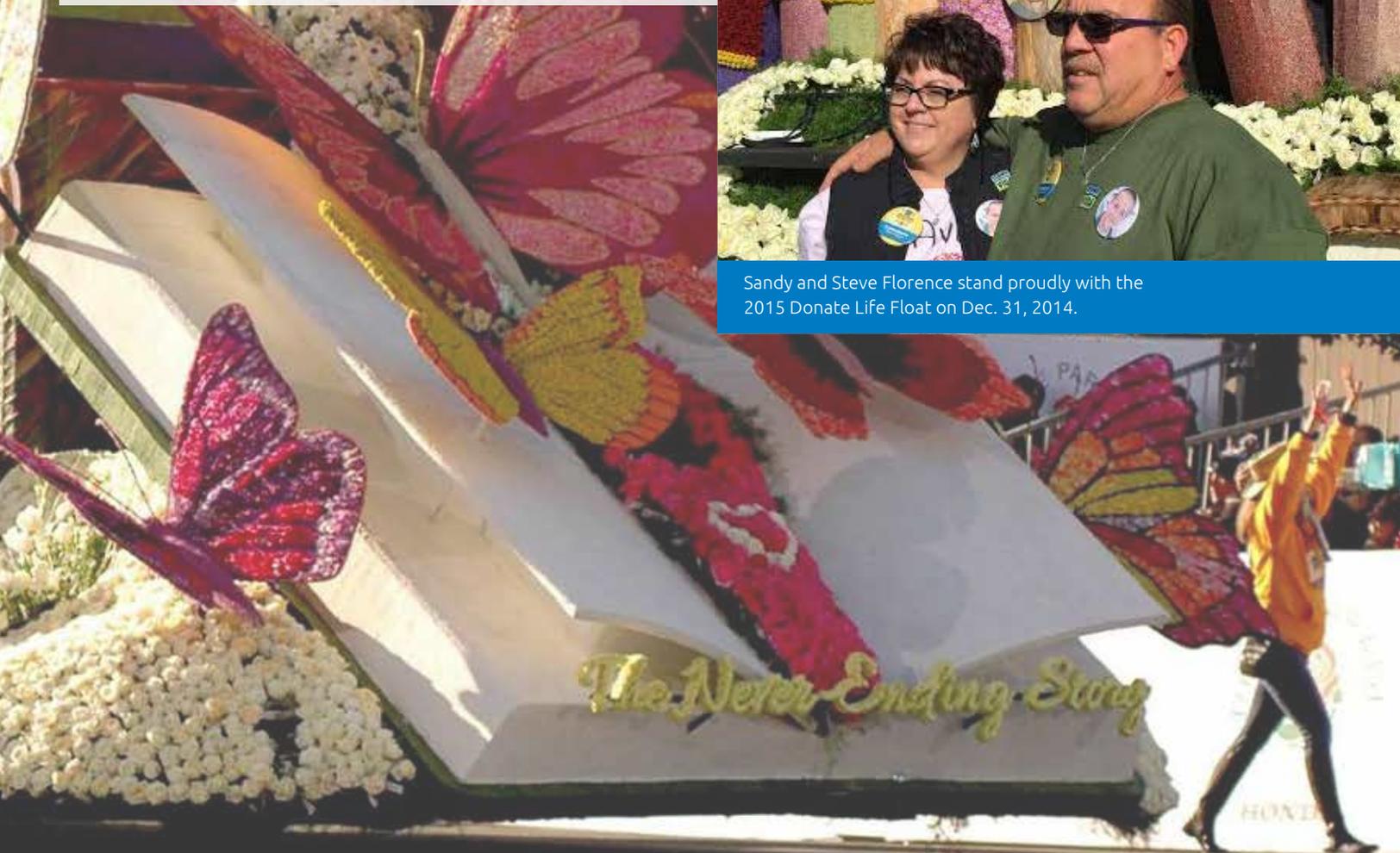
"The Florence family always feared Joshua's story being forgotten," says Sandy. "Seeing Josh's beautiful, smiling face on the float for the first time was very emotional and just another way to remember him. Joshua would be very proud of what the float represented."

Soaring above the float, 60 intricate, multicolored butterflies represented the average number of people saved and healed by a single organ and tissue donor. The butterflies emerged from an open book at the front of the float, illustrating the new life and beauty of organ, eye and tissue donation.

Soon, the Donate Life Float disappeared down Colorado Blvd., and the Rose Parade festivities ended shortly after. The Donate Life Float supporters made up of donor and recipient families knew their own never-ending stories would live on far beyond that beautiful day.



Sandy and Steve Florence stand proudly with the 2015 Donate Life Float on Dec. 31, 2014.



# state of donation in Arizona

In 2014,  
**1,224** Arizonans  
said “yes” to tissue  
donation, more  
donors than in  
any other year.

Those  
donors could help  
up to **60,000+**  
people!

**51%**

The percentage of the Arizona’s adult population who are registered as organ, eye and tissue donors.

## Organ Donation

	2013		2014	
	Trauma Centers	All Other Hospitals	Trauma Centers	All Other Hospitals
<b>Organ Donors</b> Donors from whom an organ was recovered for the purpose of transplantation (includes DCD)	120	60	99	59
<b>Organ Donors After Circulatory Death</b> Organ donors from whom an organ was recovered after being declared dead by cardio-respiratory criteria	26	17	30	13
<b>Organ Potential Rate</b> The number of organ donors that were recovered for transplant expressed as a percentage of patients who are medically suitable regardless of brain death declaration	58.5%	49.2%	53.4%	56.4%
<b>Organ Conversion Rate</b> The number of organ donors who were recovered for transplant expressed as a percentage of patients who are medically suitable and brain dead	74.5%	74.1%	75.4%	83.8%
<b>Organs Per Donor</b> Number of organs recovered for the purposes of transplantation	3.30	2.80	3.21	3.00

## Ocular & Tissue Donation

	2013		2014	
	Trauma Centers	All Other Hospitals	Trauma Centers	All Other Hospitals
<b>Ocular Donors</b> Donors who donated at least one type of ocular tissue	166	477	174	461
<b>Ocular Conversion Rate</b> The number of ocular donors who were recovered expressed as a percentage of patients who are medically suitable for ocular donation	34.2%	36.7%	34.9%	39.4%
<b>Tissue Donors</b> Donors who donated at least one type of tissue (heart valves, bone, skin, veins, etc.)	227	617	249	691
<b>Tissue Conversion Rate</b> The number of tissue donors who were recovered expressed as a percentage of patients who are medically suitable for tissue donation	37.8%	33.4%	36.9%	35.8%

## Donation Overview

	2013		2014	
	Trauma Centers	All Other Hospitals	Trauma Centers	All Other Hospitals
<b>Deaths Reported</b> The number of patient deaths occurring at hospitals in Arizona	3,266	10,637	3,769	11,047
<b>Referral Compliance Rate</b> The percentage of all deaths that were referred to DNA	99.5%	99.1%	99.3%	99.2%

2,503,066

(As of March 10, 2015)

**25,000 referral calls**  
are made to Donor Network  
of Arizona each year.

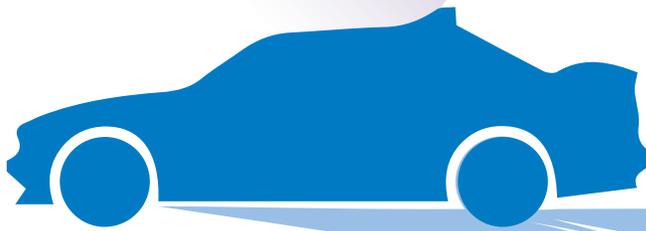


**71%**  
from Hospitals

**29%**  
from Medical  
Examiners

**26,000,000**  
media impressions about  
donation were made in 2014.

**30.9%** of the public receives  
their information about donation from  
television, newspapers and radio.



**123,000+ people**

The number of people waiting nationally for a life-saving organ transplant would overflow seating capacity at Phoenix International Raceway.

**140 volunteer hours**

were scheduled using VicNet during its January 2014 launch month.



Hospital	Organ Donors		Organ Conv. Rate	Planned Donation Rate	Deaths Reported	Referral Comp. Rate	Ocular Donors	Ocular Conv. Rate	Tissue Donors	Tissue Conv. Rate
	Total	After Circulatory Death								
Acuity Specialty Hospital of Arizona in Mesa	0	0	---	---	45	100%	0	---	2	100%
Acuity Specialty Hospital of Arizona in Sun City	0	0	---	---	12	100%	0	0%	0	0%
Arizona Heart Hospital	0	0	0%	100%	82	98%	6	35%	3	14%
Arrowhead Hospital	1	1	50%	100%	163	100%	14	56%	18	47%
Banner Baywood Medical Center	0	0	0%	---	445	99%	14	35%	23	35%
Banner Boswell Medical Center	1	0	100%	---	355	99%	18	67%	26	43%
Banner Casa Grande Regional Medical Center	0	0	---	---	169	100%	6	38%	10	37%
Banner Del E. Webb Medical Center	2	0	67%	100%	335	100%	17	50%	26	44%
Banner Desert Medical Center	8	2	62%	89%	470	99%	21	49%	35	44%
Banner Estrella Medical Center	2	1	67%	100%	235	100%	13	36%	17	35%
Banner Gateway Medical Center	1	1	33%	33%	163	100%	2	22%	3	21%
Banner Goldfield Medical Center	0	0	---	---	39	100%	1	14%	5	31%
Banner Heart Hospital	2	0	100%	---	128	100%	5	36%	10	32%
Banner Ironwood Medical Center	0	0	---	---	37	100%	4	36%	4	33%
Banner Page Hospital	0	0	---	---	15	87%	1	25%	2	33%
Banner Thunderbird Medical Center	6	0	60%	71%	414	99%	16	44%	21	36%
Banner – University Medical Center Phoenix	20	6	74%	79%	666	100%	22	31%	31	32%
Banner – University Medical Center South Campus	1	0	50%	100%	184	99%	7	27%	8	24%
Banner – University Medical Center Tucson	20	4	59%	85%	683	99%	30	41%	46	46%
Benson Hospital	0	0	---	---	32	97%	1	50%	1	17%
Carl T. Hayden VA Medical Center	0	0	---	---	139	99%	2	29%	2	25%
Carondelet Holy Cross Hospital	0	0	---	---	23	100%	2	67%	3	60%
Carondelet St. Joseph's Hospital	1	0	25%	75%	453	100%	15	37%	34	40%
Carondelet St. Mary's Hospital	1	1	25%	67%	387	100%	17	40%	31	40%
Casa De La Paz	0	0	---	---	113	94%	1	6%	3	12%
Chandler Regional Medical Center	1	0	20%	100%	370	99%	34	49%	41	47%
Chinle Comprehensive Health Care Facility	0	0	---	---	27	93%	0	0%	0	0%
Cobre Valley Community Hospital	0	0	---	---	26	96%	0	0%	3	27%
Cochise Regional Hospital	0	0	---	---	14	100%	3	60%	0	0%
Copper Queen Community Hospital	0	0	---	---	15	100%	3	100%	3	60%
Cornerstone Hospital of Southeast Arizona	0	0	---	---	20	100%	0	0%	0	0%
CTCA at Western Regional Medical Center	0	0	---	---	21	100%	2	100%	0	---
Flagstaff Medical Center	8	3	73%	67%	348	99%	10	29%	14	26%
Florence Hospital at Anthem	0	0	---	---	26	96%	4	67%	5	45%
Gilbert Hospital	0	0	---	---	8	100%	0	0%	0	0%
GlobalRehab at Scottsdale Healthcare	0	0	---	---	1	100%	0	---	0	---
Havasu Regional Medical Center	0	0	---	---	155	99%	8	47%	11	32%
Healthsouth Rehab Hospital of Southern Arizona	0	0	---	---	1	100%	0	---	0	---
Healthsouth Rehabilitation Hospital of Tucson	0	0	---	---	1	100%	0	---	1	100%
Hopi Health Care Center	0	0	---	---	11	91%	0	0%	0	0%
Hu Hu Kam Memorial Hospital	0	0	---	---	11	100%	0	0%	0	0%
John C. Lincoln Hospital - Deer Valley	2	1	100%	100%	224	98%	18	44%	19	35%
John C. Lincoln Hospital - North Mountain	11	3	55%	93%	420	99%	28	46%	30	39%
Kindred Hospital - Northwest Phoenix	0	0	---	---	44	100%	1	50%	0	0%
Kindred Hospital - Phoenix	0	0	---	---	40	98%	1	100%	0	0%
Kindred Hospital - Tucson	0	0	---	---	44	100%	0	0%	1	33%
Kingman Regional Medical Center	1	0	100%	100%	294	99%	13	34%	15	28%
La Paz Regional Hospital	0	0	---	---	27	100%	1	25%	2	40%
Little Colorado Medical Center	0	0	---	---	16	100%	0	---	1	33%
Maricopa Medical Center	8	1	50%	67%	211	100%	6	19%	11	32%
Maryvale Hospital Medical Center	0	0	0%	100%	154	99%	5	25%	6	21%
Mayo Clinic Hospital	0	0	0%	0%	193	100%	7	64%	11	48%
Mercy Gilbert Medical Center	0	0	---	---	162	100%	4	22%	9	36%
Mount Graham Regional Medical Center	0	0	---	---	59	97%	5	62%	3	27%

Hospital	Organ Donors		Organ Conv. Rate	Planned Donation Rate	Deaths Reported	Referral Comp. Rate	Ocular Donors	Ocular Conv. Rate	Tissue Donors	Tissue Conv. Rate
	Total	After Circulatory Death								
Mountain Vista Medical Center	3	0	60%	50%	211	99%	16	55%	21	46%
Northern Cochise Community Hospital	0	0	---	---	41	100%	1	33%	3	43%
Northwest Medical Center	3	1	43%	50%	319	100%	17	41%	22	34%
Northwest Medical Center - Oro Valley	1	0	50%	100%	86	100%	4	44%	6	43%
Paradise Valley Hospital	0	0	---	---	149	99%	7	54%	14	52%
Payson Regional Medical Center	0	0	---	---	45	100%	5	56%	7	58%
Phoenix Baptist Hospital	8	0	67%	100%	195	99%	8	28%	13	32%
Phoenix Children's Hospital	7	0	47%	85%	114	99%	4	31%	6	32%
Promise Hospital of Phoenix	0	0	---	---	59	100%	0	0%	1	17%
Sage Memorial Hospital	0	0	---	---	10	100%	0	0%	0	0%
Scottsdale Healthcare - Osborn	12	9	57%	71%	398	100%	21	34%	30	34%
Scottsdale Healthcare - Shea	1	0	100%	---	358	99%	11	42%	21	38%
Scottsdale Healthcare - Thompson Peak	0	0	---	---	72	100%	8	57%	10	43%
Select Specialty Hospital - Phoenix	0	0	---	---	36	97%	0	0%	0	0%
Select Specialty Hospital - Phoenix Downtown	0	0	---	---	17	100%	0	0%	1	50%
Select Specialty Hospital - Scottsdale Osborn	0	0	---	---	22	95%	1	50%	1	50%
Sierra Vista Regional Health Center	0	0	---	---	125	98%	3	20%	5	25%
St Joseph's Westgate Medical Center	0	0	---	---	6	83%	2	50%	2	50%
St. Joseph's Hospital & Medical Center	12	4	34%	93%	559	99%	19	23%	40	33%
St. Luke's Medical Center	1	0	100%	100%	89	100%	7	50%	9	36%
Summit Healthcare Regional Medical Center	0	0	0%	0%	96	98%	2	13%	4	18%
Tempe St. Luke's Hospital	2	0	67%	0%	76	100%	6	43%	6	35%
Tséhootsooi Medical Center	0	0	---	---	32	100%	0	0%	0	0%
Tuba City Regional Health Care	0	0	---	---	31	100%	0	0%	0	0%
Tucson Medical Center	5	1	83%	100%	962	99%	21	39%	23	27%
USPHS - San Carlos Indian Hospital	0	0	---	---	5	100%	0	0%	0	0%
USPHS - Sells Indian Hospital	0	0	---	---	8	88%	0	0%	0	0%
USPHS - Whiteriver Indian Hospital	0	0	---	---	27	100%	0	0%	0	0%
VA Medical Center - Prescott	0	0	---	---	119	100%	1	25%	5	42%
VA Medical Center - Tucson	0	0	---	---	266	99%	7	64%	9	50%
Valley View Medical Center	0	0	---	---	60	100%	2	33%	4	33%
Verde Valley Medical Center	0	0	0%	50%	145	97%	4	33%	8	31%
West Valley Hospital Medical Center	2	1	40%	67%	296	100%	13	30%	22	35%
Western Arizona Regional Medical Center	1	1	100%	---	205	99%	11	44%	14	34%
White Mountain Regional Medical Center	0	0	---	---	22	100%	2	33%	3	30%
Wickenburg Community Hospital	0	0	---	---	12	100%	0	0%	1	50%
Yavapai Regional Medical Center - East	0	0	---	---	79	100%	4	29%	6	32%
Yavapai Regional Medical Center - West	2	2	100%	100%	204	100%	11	50%	25	49%
Yuma Regional Medical Center	1	0	100%	100%	530	100%	29	47%	48	42%

### Organ Donors

Donors from whom an organ was recovered for the purpose of transplantation (including DCD)

### Organ Donors After Circulatory Death

Organ donors from whom an organ was recovered after being declared dead by cardio-respiratory criteria

### Organ Conversion (Conv.) Rate

The number of organ donors who were recovered for transplant expressed as a percentage of patients who are medically suitable and brain dead

### Planned Donation Rate

The percentage of organ donation conversations that follow hospital policy and the plan for each case as agreed upon by Donor Network of Arizona (DNA) and the healthcare team

### Deaths Reported

The number of patient deaths that occurred at a hospital

### Referral Compliance (Comp.) Rate

The percentage of deaths that were referred to DNA

### Ocular Donors

Donors who donated at least one type of ocular tissue

### Ocular Conversion (Conv.) Rate

The number of ocular donors who were recovered expressed as a percentage of patients who are medically suitable for ocular donation

### Tissue Donors

Donors who donated at least one type of tissue (heart valves, bone, skin, veins, etc.)

### Tissue Conversion (Conv.) Rate

The number of tissue donors who were recovered expressed as a percentage of patients who are medically suitable for tissue donation

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## Arizonenses forman parte de 'La Historia sin Fin'



El retrato floral de Joshua Florence (centro) junto a los de otros donantes de vida, decoran el carro alegórico de Done Vida.

Como lo hemos hecho durante los últimos años, este pasado 1ro de enero la Red de Donantes de Arizona (conocida como DNA por sus siglas en inglés) participó en el Desfile de las Rosas en Pasadena, California. Este año, DNA contó con la participación de Jazmyn Creason y de Sandy y Steven Florence, quienes representaron lo que es recibir vida y donar vida, respectivamente.

Una mañana de diciembre del 2009, Jazmyn Creason, de Tucson, Arizona, repentinamente se sintió mal, y poco tiempo después fue diagnosticada con una condición médica que afectaba su hígado. La salud de la joven deportista de 16 años de edad se deterioró al punto de que su única opción de vida se convirtió en un trasplante de hígado. Jazmyn fue agregada a la lista de espera de trasplantes.

En el 2011, la angustia de Jazmyn y de su familia llegó a un fin cuando la llamada telefónica por la que tanto esperó finalmente llegó: había un hígado disponible y Jazmyn era compatible. Jazmyn no sabe mucho acerca de su donante, sólo de que era un joven de 18 años de edad que falleció en un accidente automovilístico en California, y que salvó ocho vidas por medio de su donación – incluyendo la suya.

Joshua Florence de Glendale, Arizona, tenía apenas 19 años de edad cuando falleció. Él era deportista y jugaba fútbol-soccer en la escuela Cactus High School, pero todo cambió una mañana en mayo del 2007, cuando un automóvil chocó contra el suyo, cobrándole la vida. Sus padres en medio de esta tragedia tomaron la bondadosa y generosa decisión de donar vida a otros por medio de la donación de órganos y tejidos de su hijo. Gracias a Joshua, hoy en día cuatro personas tienen la dicha de tener vida.

El tema del desfile de este año fue "La Historia sin Fin", tema que describe con precisión el impacto y legado que cada familia donante y beneficiada tiene en la vida de otros.

La decisión de ser donante de órganos y tejidos es el acto más generoso y bondadoso que puede tener un ser humano hacia otro porque es donar vida. Al igual que la familia Florence, la familia del donante de Jazmyn decidió donar vida sin importar a quiénes beneficiarían los obsequios anatómicos de sus seres queridos – esto es un acto de generosidad incondicional.

# Embajadores de Vida Galardonados

El pasado 22 de setiembre, 2014, durante el evento anual Donation Celebration, la Red de Donantes de Arizona otorgó más de 50 reconocimientos a familias donantes y beneficiadas, miembros de los medios de comunicación, personal del cuidado de la salud, y a organizaciones o entidades que apoyan la donación de vida, cuya pasión y dedicación por este acto de bondad los distingue e hizo merecedores de estos reconocimientos.

Algunos de los galardonados fueron: el Consulado General de México en Phoenix y en Tucson; Univisión 33 y Univisión Radio; Reyna Rodríguez, madre de Briana Rodríguez, quien salvó a cinco personas por medio de la donación de sus órganos; Silvestre y Haide Celis, padres de la pequeña Melisa, quien salvó a tres personas por medio del regalo de vida; y el Padre Javier Pérez, sacerdote de la Iglesia Inmaculada Concepción en Yuma, quien desde hace casi 20 años comparte con sus miles de feligreses la importancia de ser donante de vida. “La donación de órganos y tejidos es un acto de generosidad para salvar o mejorar vidas, y eso no tiene precio”, es el mensaje que el Padre Javier comparte durante sus misas cada domingo.

Además de la entrega de reconocimientos, los asistentes del evento tuvieron la oportunidad de tomar talleres educativos con el fin de aprender sobre temas específicos con respecto a la donación, tales como: el proceso de la donación, el significado de muerte cerebral y de muerte circulatoria, maneras de cómo promover la donación dentro de nuestra comunidad, y más.



Ricardo Pineda Albarrán, Cónsul de México en Tucson, con su reconocimiento por Destacado Aliado Comunitario.

## Yuma le Dice “Sí” a la Donación de Vida

Para que el mensaje de la donación de vida pueda llegar a todos los rincones de nuestro estado, la ayuda de nuestros voluntarios y aliados es indispensable. Precisamente gracias a su ayuda, Done Vida Arizona llevó a cabo un evento para registrar personas en Yuma este pasado sábado, 2 de noviembre.

Desde temprano en la mañana decenas de voluntarios de las iglesias Immaculate Conception y Our Lady of Guadalupe

En sencillo registrarse como donante de órganos y tejidos en el MVD. Marque la casilla y done vida.



Mission ayudaron a la Red de Donantes de Arizona a preparar todo lo necesario para este evento. Algunos de los voluntarios, quienes han sido tocados por la donación de alguna manera u otra, compartieron sus historias con los feligreses.

El liderazgo del Padre Javier Pérez, párroco de la iglesia Immaculate Conception, fue instrumental para que decenas de personas se registraran. Desde la planeación del evento hasta su ejecución, el apoyo del Padre Javier fue el motor que arrancó este evento.

Gracias al arduo trabajo de los voluntarios y del Padre Javier, 117 personas le dijeron “Sí” a la donación de vida. Los resultados del evento demuestran que los hispanos no le temen a la donación, sino que más bien, no tienen la información necesaria para aprender acerca de este tema.

De parte de toda la Red de Donantes de Arizona, ¡mil gracias al Padre Javier Pérez, a cada uno de los voluntarios, y a la comunidad de Yuma por recibirnos con brazos abiertos y unirse los más de dos millones de arizonenses que ya le han dicho “Sí” a la donación!

“We are dedicated to getting the word out,” donor wife, Christine Eisenfeld says.

## Team Eisenfeld Pedals for Life

Be-coming a Donate Life Arizona volunteer helped Christine Eisenfeld of Oro Valley and her family through the grieving process by sharing the life-saving legacy of her husband, Scott Eisenfeld.

Scott, 52, passed away on Sept. 15, 2013 while training for El Tour de Tucson. Following a challenging ride along the Star Pass trails with his teammates, Scott became short of breath, collapsed and never recovered. After his death, Scott donated his heart valves.

Since then, Christine and their two children, Tyler and Kaitlin, volunteer often with Donate Life Arizona. The family keeps Scott’s memory alive by sharing how he helped others through his gift of donation.

On Nov. 22, 2014, Scott’s friends and family passed out rider medals and



A memorial of heart valve donor, Scott Eisenfeld, stood at El Tour de Tucson on Nov. 22, 2014.

staffed a Donate Life Arizona registration booth in Scott’s honor as special guests of El Tour. Tyler tackled the ride as a way to finish the race his dad started, wearing a cycling jersey that read, “Team Eisenfeld: Pedal for Life.”

“Overall, the reason I’m pretty passionate about it, along with my kids, is because we know this is such a wonderful gift,” says Christine.

## We Want You!

Donor Network of Arizona is seeking volunteers to register organ, eye and tissue donors! For more information, or to RSVP, contact [Volunteers@dnaz.org](mailto:Volunteers@dnaz.org).

### Donate Life Volunteer Meetings

#### Phoenix

May 19 12 - 1 p.m. & 6 - 7 p.m.

#### Tucson

May 21 12 - 1 p.m. & 6 - 7 p.m.

### Donate Life Volunteer Training

#### Phoenix

April 14 6 - 8 p.m.  
June 16 6 - 8 p.m.

#### Tucson

April 16 6 - 8 p.m.  
June 18 6 - 8 p.m.

## Honorable Mention

On Sept. 17, 2014, Yuma Regional Medical Center (YRMC) hosted a Donate Life Arizona new volunteer orientation session to give Yuma community members the opportunity to get involved in saving and healing lives through volunteer work with Donate Life Arizona.

The session, held in the YRMC pediatric conference room, brought more than 15 donor family members, transplant recipients and donation advocates together to learn about Donor Network of Arizona (DNA), the Donate Life/Done Vida Arizona volunteer program and organ, eye and tissue donation.

Rudy Wallace, Donate Life Arizona volunteer since 2012, helped organize this successful new volunteer orientation.

“Having the new volunteer orientation here is important because it helps us go to more events around Yuma, which

leads to more [registered] donors,” says Wallace, who is planning on representing Donate Life Arizona at several community events in the area in 2015.

YRMC Chaplain, Father Javier Pérez, also invited Donate Life Arizona to hold registry events at Immaculate Conception Church and Our Lady of Guadalupe Mission in Yuma on Nov. 2, 2014. DNA staff and 15 volunteers registered more than 100 new organ, eye and tissue donors at the events.



Members of Immaculate Conception Church in Yuma register as organ, eye and tissue donors.

# DNA Launches Online Volunteer Database

In January 2015, Donor Network of Arizona (DNA) launched a new online volunteer information center. The information center, called VicNet, makes it simple for Donate Life Arizona volunteers to find opportunities to share their passion for donation at registration tables, speaking engagements or other special events. Each volunteer can now browse the calendar of events and sign up for opportunities online and, at their convenience, through VicNet.

"I found VicNet easy to start up in and easy to navigate," says Bill Hosking, Donate Life Arizona volunteer. "I especially like the calendar page as it shows in a glance what is going on and where volunteer needs are."

In addition to simplifying the process to sign up for events and meetings, VicNet also gives volunteers the capability to update their contact information in the database whenever they want. With over 300 volunteer profiles, this feature ensures that DNA houses the most updated information about volunteers.



The VicNet home page shows upcoming assignments, event opportunities and DNA news in one centralized location for Donate Life Arizona volunteers.

Not only does VicNet streamline the process for volunteers, but it also allows DNA staff to share event information well in advance so volunteers can plan ahead. This online interaction helps especially when countless speaking engagements and registration events with community and health care partners require careful planning and scheduling. Volunteers can access VicNet by visiting the address below! To set up a username or password, please contact Ashley.Siegel@dnaz.org.

[Volgistics.com/ex/portal.dll/?from=113490](http://Volgistics.com/ex/portal.dll/?from=113490)

## Volunteers Out and About

Heart recipient, Evelyn Strope, and kidney recipient, Mark Larson, prepare to register runners at the Show Your Stripes and Run for EDS race on Nov. 1, 2014.



April Rivera (l) and Lauren Newell (r), attended a Miss Arizona Pageant on Nov. 8, 2014 to register attendees in honor of Alyson Tozer, a double-lung transplant recipient and Miss La Paz County, who recently passed away in September.



Multicultural Community Relations Coordinator Denise Cavero-Hann (l) and Done Vida volunteer, Mayte Figueroa (r), register visitors at the Get It Done Community Fair at Castles N' Coasters on Jan. 17, 2015.





## Yuma Advocates Touch Community

**T**hroughout the past few years, Yuma Regional Medical Center (YRMC) fostered an internal environment that promotes organ,



Kathleen Wolff and Ray Mitchell champion donation at Yuma Regional Medical Center.

eye and tissue donation. Thanks to the dedication of the Spiritual Care and trained requestor staff, YRMC became the hospital with the highest number of tissue donors in 2013, and these staff members continue in their efforts to bring the option of donation to as many families as possible.

Two members of YRMC's staff stand out as champions for donation: Ray Mitchell, director of Spiritual Care, and Kathleen Wolff, clinical staff chaplain. Both of these individuals work hard with Donor Network of Arizona (DNA) in fulfilling its mission to make the most of life through the gift of organ, eye and tissue donation.

"Ray and Kathleen changed the culture of the hospital with regards to donation," says Eladio Salazar, DNA hospital development coordinator.

"They are incredibly passionate about donation and are quick to respond to any issue that impedes the sharing of these generous gifts."

The community surrounding YRMC also reflects their work in donation. YRMC supports the growing group of Donate Life Arizona volunteers as they educate the Yuma population about the importance of donation. Now commonplace, donor registration events thrive in YRMC, as well as in other local gathering places, including churches and community centers.

"They go above and beyond to support donation," says Salazar. "Their work is truly appreciated."

## Breaking Stories of Generosity and Hope

**A**s a reporter with ABC 9 Tucson (KGUN), Rikki Mitchell juggles a full load of breaking news, local stories and national trends. Mitchell uses her talents and experience as a television journalist to share the life-saving and life-healing message of donation and transplantation in Arizona.

Mitchell covered her first Donor Network of Arizona story in November of 2013 when she reported on Scott Eisenfeld at El Tour de Tucson. Eisenfeld became a tissue donor after he passed away while training for El Tour, and his family received the special honor of commemorating his legacy and registering donors at the race, a tradition that continued in 2014.

On March 24, 2014, Mitchell made the two-hour drive from Tucson to Phoenix to cover Donate Life Day at the Capitol. From this event, she shared the story of Travis Brown, a husband and father of three who received a double-lung transplant.

The stories she heard at the Capitol moved Mitchell so much that she made the decision to register as an organ, eye and tissue donor right then and there.



Rikki Mitchell's expertise as a reporter allows her to share donation stories that move and captivate her audience.

"I am always so inspired by the donation and transplantation stories that I hear, and I want others to share that same inspiration," says Mitchell. "Maybe my stories will have the same effect on someone else."

# Annual Symposia Bring Donation Community Together

Each year, Donor Network of Arizona (DNA) hosts two symposia that serve to recognize its partners and offer continuing education in the field of organ, eye and tissue donation.

On Monday, Sept. 22, 2014, more than 250 health care, professional and community partners gathered at the Black Canyon Conference Center in Phoenix for DNA's Donation Symposium, a day filled with educational breakout sessions and an awards luncheon. The symposium's theme, "You are the Essential Piece," focused on the important role all of DNA's partners play in saving and healing lives through donation.

The day opened with a guest presentation from former Phoenix police officer, Jason Schechterle. In March of 2011 as he waited at a red light, a speeding taxi hit the on-duty Schechterle, and his police car burst into flames. Despite suffering third- and fourth-degree burns on more than 50 percent of his body, Schechterle recovered and now travels the country as a motivational speaker.

Schechterle explained how tissue donation helped save his life. Doctors used skin grafts from multiple tissue donors in some of the 52 surgeries that healed Schechterle's severe burns and repaired the damage done to his body.

After Schechterle told his tale of triumph over the unimaginable obstacles he faced during his recovery, the day's break-out sessions began. DNA representatives with various areas of expertise conducted these learning opportunities to help DNA and its partners continue to make Arizona a place of excellence in the field of donation and transplantation. Sessions included: Best Practices in the Donation Process, Multicultural Community Views on Donation and Advances in Transplantation.



Dr. Bridget Stiegler, Stacie Pinderhughes, Julie Lehn and Susie Pegg of Banner – University Medical Center Phoenix pose with Pinderhughes' symposium award for Outstanding Palliative Care.

Just six months later, on March 19, 2015, DNA hosted its annual Funeral Home Symposium at Desert Willow Conference Center in Phoenix.

The Funeral Home Symposium focused on the important contributions that funeral homes make in the tissue donation process, including their role in caring for the donor family and their part in helping save and heal lives of tissue recipients.

Funeral homes and their representatives take great care in supporting families during their time of loss and grief, and the 2015 Funeral Home Symposium placed special focus on showing funeral homes the healing, comforting effects that donation has for donor families.

The Funeral Home Symposium hosted three panels to illustrate the full impact of tissue donation. A musculoskeletal panel, an ocular panel and a cardiovascular panel each featured a tissue recipient and a surgeon as a testament to the lives saved and healed through donation.

Columbine shooting victim, Kacey Johnson, was one of the symposium's guests who spoke during the musculoskeletal panel. On that tragic day in 1999, Johnson took a shotgun blast to her shoulder. She and her surgeon, Dr. Ross Wilkins, shared how donated bone, ligaments and tendons prevented the need for limb amputation and restored Johnson's mobility.

DNA's Funeral Home Liaison Kyle Kaspari hopes the day shined a light on funeral homes' contributions to the donation process. "Funeral home partners are integral in helping families have a positive donation experience," says Kaspari. "They care for families during their worst moment, and they work with DNA to help facilitate the gift of donation."



Donation Champion awardees Cydney DeModica, Anne Yanofsky, Chuck Saillant and Stacey Stanton from the Arizona Department of Transportation Motor Vehicle Division stop for a photo at the Wall of Life.



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## calendar of events

**April**

Health Care for Hope  
[www.HealthCareforHope.org](http://www.HealthCareforHope.org)

**April 12**

Donate Life Day at the Diamondbacks  
*Chase Field*

To order tickets, contact:  
[jimperial@dbacks.com](mailto:jimperial@dbacks.com)  
602-462-4113  
[DonateLifeAtTheDbacks.org](http://DonateLifeAtTheDbacks.org)

**April 17**

National Blue & Green Day  
*Celebrate Donate Life Month by sporting  
blue and green apparel!*

**April 18**

Liver Life Walk  
*Steele Indian School Park*  
Join the Donate Life Arizona team:  
[go.liverfoundation.org/goto/DLAZ](http://go.liverfoundation.org/goto/DLAZ)

**June (TBD)**

Health Care for Hope Awards Breakfast  
[Katie.Benton@dnaz.org](mailto:Katie.Benton@dnaz.org)

**Aug. 1-8**

National Minority Donor Awareness Week  
[DeniseC@dnaz.org](mailto:DeniseC@dnaz.org)