



South Carolina

ANNUAL REPORT 2018

Donate Life South Carolina



MESSAGE FROM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

The registry hit a milestone in 2018. More than two million South Carolina residents have added their name to the donor registry since its founding in 2008! Over the last 10 years, I have had the great fortune to watch the SC Organ, Eye and Tissue Donor Registry grow. Along with the registry increase, I have also witnessed the tremendous love and generosity of the people of South Carolina. Did you know that South Carolina became one of the top 5 most giving areas in the country? Our communities now have a greater understanding of the critical importance of organ donation. There are remarkable stories throughout the regions of SC that encompass the passion, teamwork and miracle that is part of the organ donation and transplantation process. One of the many stories is highlighted in this issue of the annual report, and I invite you to read the article; "*One Woman's Journey to Make a Change*" for a glimpse into what community involvement can do.

With approximately 1,000 people on the South Carolina waiting list, we continue our work of expanding awareness throughout South Carolina. We appreciate the support of families of those who died while waiting and their passionate drive to help educate about the critical need so that others don't suffer the same loss.

I want to thank all donor families that I have met throughout the years for giving the greatest gift of all and for their willingness to

share the life stories of their loved ones with us by acknowledging the sacred circle of life. Finally, to the hard-working volunteers, partners and supporters of TEAM SC that I have worked with through strong partnerships across the state, and to my passionate board of directors, I say, "thank you"! I look forward to witnessing more lives saved and healed in the years to come.

In closing the year, I want to express our gratitude for the dedication and commitment made by Colonel Kevin Shwedo, director of the South Carolina DMV, and the many DMV location staff members who are an integral part of a strong partnership of working together to save and heal lives.



TRACY MOORE
CEO/EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
DONATE LIFE SOUTH CAROLINA

DONATE LIFE SC - LEADING THE WAY

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MISSION AND VISION

The mission of Donate Life South Carolina is to increase the supply of organs and tissues for transplantation and provide assistance for South Carolina transplant recipients. Donate Life South Carolina established and maintains the SC Organ, Eye and Tissue Donor Registry.

Our Vision: An organ or tissue will be available for every South Carolinian in need of a transplant.

ADVISORY COUNCIL

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Kidney Recipient
Columbia, SC

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Waiting List-Deceased Family Member
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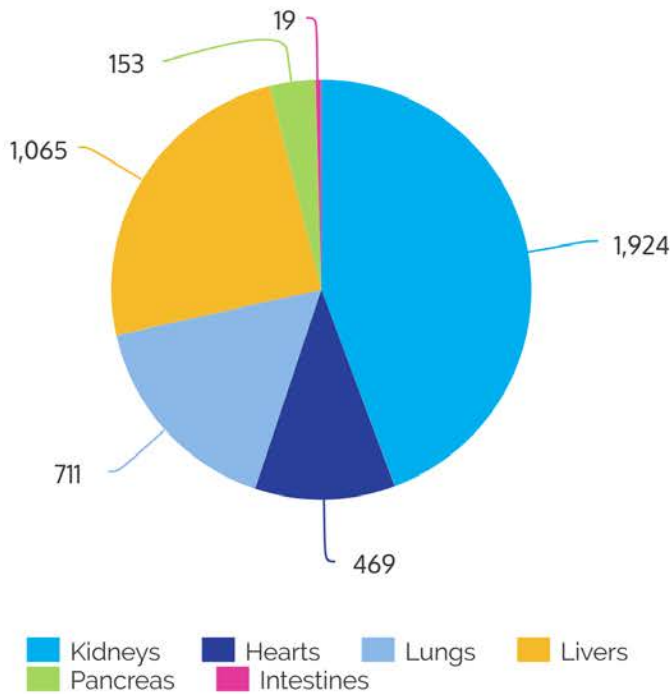
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South Carolina DMV

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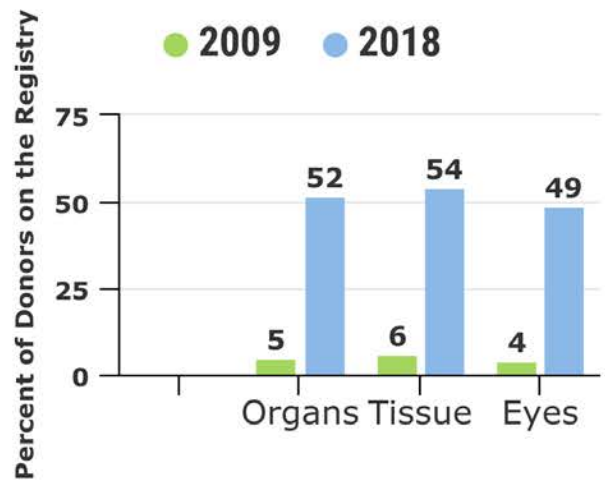
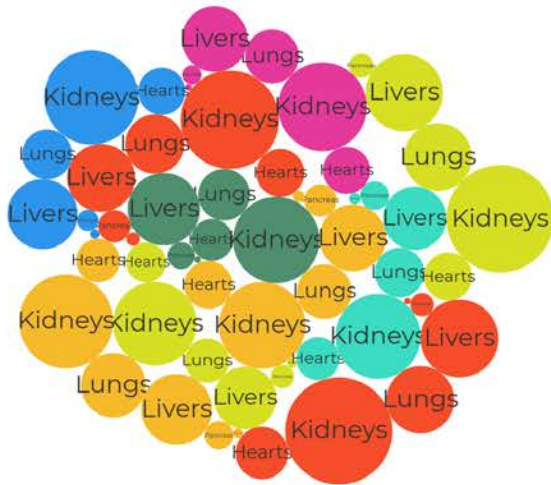
Strong Law Firm
DLSC Advocate

South Carolina Organ and Tissue Donor Registry

Organ Transplantation Totals



Celebrating Ten -Years of Saving and Healing Lives!



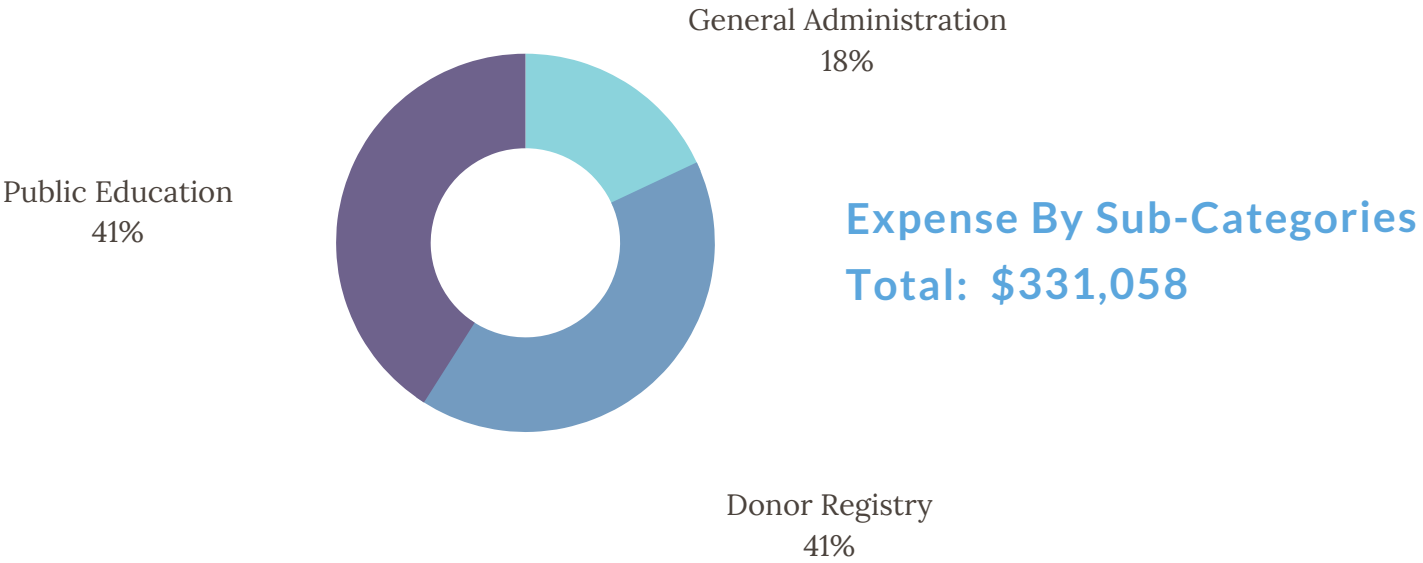
Organ Transplantation Overall Increase of 39%

Kidneys are the most transplanted organ and had a ten-year increase of 55%!

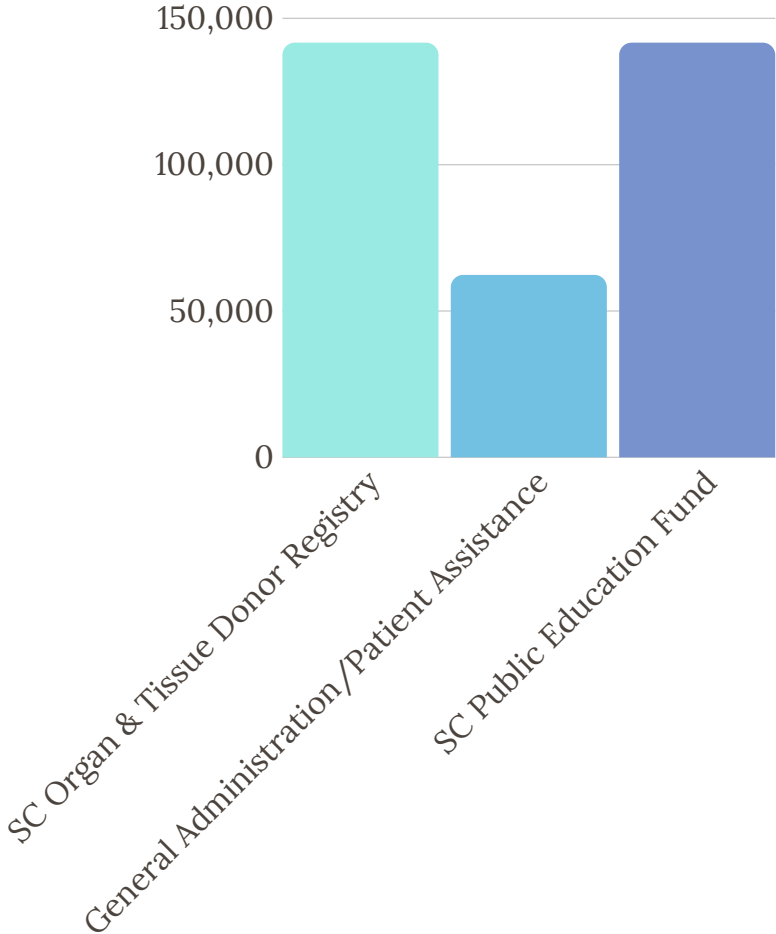
How SC Donor Registration Affects Change

The number of authorized SC donor registrants now exceeds 2 million. Since its inception on Jan. 1, 2009, the percentages of transplantations from donors on the registry increased by ten-fold.

FINANCIAL SUMMARY REPORT DONATE LIFE SOUTH CAROLINA



Support & Revenue
Total: \$345,069



National Donate Life Month



Celebrating Donate Life Day at the Capital

South Carolinians have big hearts! Over 2 million people have registered as organ, eye and tissue donors in the SC Donor Registry since it was established in 2009! A record number 52% of South Carolinians obtaining SCDM credentials check “YES” to donation.

The Senate Resolution declaring April as Donate Life Month was announced by Katrina Shealy SC Senate of Lexington County at the State Capital on Tuesday, April 10, 2018. Donate Life SC state team members, designated donor families, and transplant recipients joined with the South Carolina Department of Motor Vehicles on the first-floor lobby to acknowledge Donor Day. This day is set aside to recognize and honor all aspects of donation including living, organ, eye, tissue, blood, bone marrow and research.

South Carolina State Capital- April 10, 2018

Be a Rainbow in Someone's Cloud

SPLASHING BLUE & GREEN ACROSS SC

Donate Life Month Celebrations throughout April



Blue Green Lighting Ceremonies
Come Celebrate Donate Life Month!

Columbia, SC
April 9, 2018
7:30 PM
(Light display April 9th - April 13th, 2018)

Location:
Hilton Columbia Center
Columbia, SC 29201

Greenville, SC
April 6, 2018
7:30 PM
(Light display April 6th - April 11th, 2018)

Location:
One Building
1 North Main Street
Greenville, SC 29601

155 Riverplace on Main
Reedy River Walk

Next Innovation Center
411 University Ridge
Greenville, SC 29601

LIGHT THE LIGHTS!

To celebrate the donor registry surpassing the 2 million mark we illuminated the skies with blue and green lighting on several buildings across the state. The lighting ceremonies were an exciting opportunity to work together during Donate Life Month.

SCDMV PARTNERS ROCKS

Staff at SCDMV offices throughout the state team up to help raise awareness about the importance of organ donation. Teams also compete in a contest each year for the best presentation of the Donate Life blue and green colors.




A KIDNEY TRANSPLANT SAVED MY LIFE

LIVING DONOR AWARENESS CELEBRATION

GHOST MONKEY BREWERY
522 WANDO LANE
MT. PLEASANT, SC 29464
Sat., April 14th, 2018
2PM-6PM

Dashi Food Truck and Live Music!
Featuring: J.K. Whit, Chris Boone, Danny Taylor, Haley Hood, Bach to Rock



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DONATE LIFE South Carolina

FREE AND FAMILY FRIENDLY!
Anniversary celebration to thank transplant donors, candidates, recipients, and those performing transplant miracles daily

REPRESENTATIVES FROM:

- SC LIVING DONOR PROGRAM
- MUSC TRANSPLANT CENTER
- DONATE LIFE SC

ORGAN DONORS ARE LIFE DONORS. WHAT CAN YOU MAKE POSSIBLE?

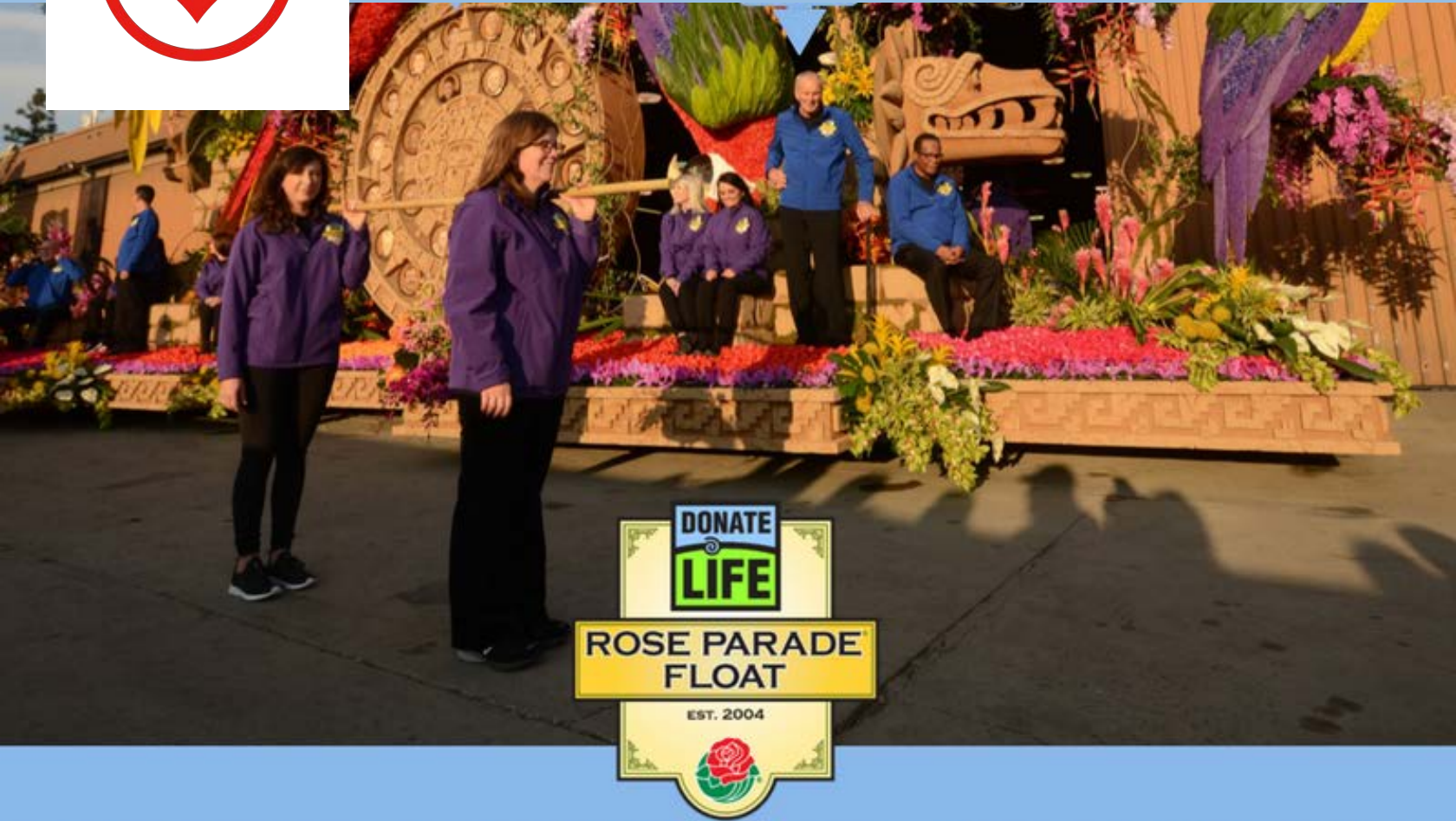
REGISTER TODAY AT DONATELIFESC.ORG OR REGISTERME.ORG

BANDING TOGETHER

Living donation saves lives, but few people understand this option. Special events were held in South Carolina to bring awareness to this unique and powerful way to help save a life.



DONATE LIFE COLLABORATIVE EVENTS



- DONATE LIFE ROSE PARADE FLOAT "THE GIFT OF TIME" - ORGAN DONOR/FLORAGRAPH HONOREE JARED COLON AND HEART RECIPIENT/FLOAT RIDER COACH SAM WYCHE
- NATIONAL DONOR DAY
- SHARING HOPE SC, RACE FOR LIFE
- TRANSPLANT GAMES OF AMERICA, SALT LAKE CITY, UT
- IAM AME INITIATIVE
- NATIONAL ECHO CAMPAIGN
- NATIONAL DONOR SABBATH
- DONATE LIFE CAMPUS DUEL

Donate Life Month (April)

- Governor's Conference
- National Blue Green Day
- SC DMV Competition
- Wall of Hope

COLLABORATIVE PARTNERSHIPS



Prevention, Lifestyle, Donation



What We Do

Offer teacher training in the use of curricula materials and web-resources that provide comprehensive instruction for middle and high school grade levels that align with the new 2017 SC Academic Standards for Health and Safety Awareness. SCHA projects also include promoting community awareness through exhibitor and conference participation.

Donate Life SC continued work on bringing organ & tissue donor education to South Carolina classrooms through the partnership with SC Health Advocates.

Health teachers within SCHA have partnered to share their informational resources through participation in state educational conferences held throughout the state in 2018.

Members of the SCHA consortium completed goals this year by adding more health curriculum materials that meets SC state academic standards to the online education portal.

The educational team is currently working on the development of an animated character mascot that will encourage students in their online lesson plans.

SC Health Advocates Consortium Membership



COMMUNITY OUTREACH



DONATE LIFE SC SPONSORS CENTRE STAGE PRODUCTION

Donate Life South Carolina sponsored the Centre Stage production of "The Tin Woman" from June 19-30th, 2018 in Greenville. The Tin Woman, written by Sean Grennan, is based on a true story and explores the heartwarming journey of two families going through the donation process and what it means to be given a new chance at life.

In a synopsis of the play: "Joy's life is given an unexpected jump-start through the gift of a donated heart. Her yearning to meet the still-grieving family who made the donation results in an ending surprising for all. Though it delves into profound territory, "The Tin Woman" is filled with laughter as unexpected as its final conclusion, as our characters lives are drawn together."

Audience members got to hear first-hand about the process, challenges and personal stories of these two courageous families. Opportunities for discussion of the organ donation process were made available to the audience after the performance where team members of Donate Life SC were on hand to answer any question.

COMMUNITY ACTION: ONE WOMAN'S JOURNEY TO MAKE A CHANGE

Some ideas come to us over time; others appear in that "aha" moment. The latter case applies to Lori Knoblauch of Greenville, who knew in an instant how to fix a transportation problem she found in South Carolina and made a personal commitment to help bring a change. This community action story is of one woman's determination to assist the transplant medical teams tasked with ground transportation of lifesaving organ, eye and tissue donations to hospitals. Little did Lori know that the outcome of creating change would require lots of legwork, never taking no for an answer, and working with the legislature to amend South Carolina laws defining emergency vehicles.

In 2017, Lori Knoblauch, owner of Venture Transports in Greenville, was transporting an abdominal procurement team in a late-night delivery and observed the heart team step into the back of an ambulance. She was puzzled at why the heart team would want to travel by ambulance? There were no seat belts. It was a bumpy ride and entirely unsafe transporting the precious cargo. Lori asked the coordinator these questions and was told they needed the lights and sirens to enable a faster route to the hospital. Right then and there, Lori realized that by outfitting her vans with lights and sirens she could offer procurement medical teams a fast, safe and effective way of traveling.



Although Lori does not have a personal connection to organ donation, her love of medicine and helping others improve their lives is a large part of who she is. Lori's educational background is in cardiac rehabilitation and her work history includes initiating health screening programs at several medical centers. Her career path eventually led her to work in the marketing field where she spent twenty years finding solutions to a problem. You might say Lori was good at fixing things; after all, she couldn't stop thinking of the transportation side of the organ recovery process and the flaw in ground transportation.

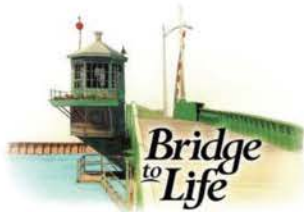
SECTION 56-5-170. Authorized emergency vehicles defined.

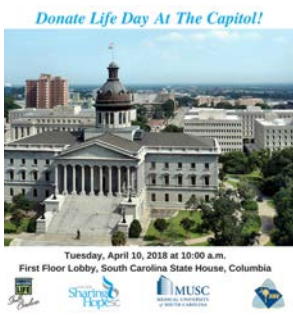
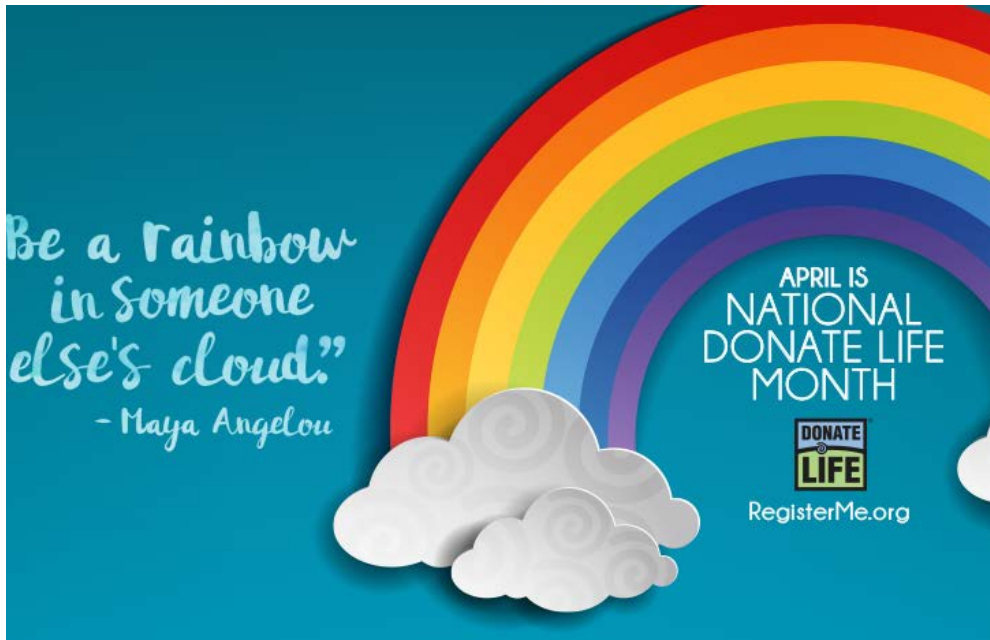
(12) organ procurement organization vehicles, which means vehicles operated by organizations that perform or coordinate the procurement, preservation, and transport of organs and maintains systems for locating prospective recipients for available organs.

Lori made many calls inquiring about equipping transport vans with lights and sirens but found the current law covered ambulance only. Frustrated, Lori decided the law should be amended. Lori reached out to Senator Scott Talley who encouraged her to attend subcommittee meetings to share her vision and to plead her case that medical transport teams should sit comfortably safety-belted within a secure vehicle equipped with lights and sirens that would get them to the hospital safely and quickly. Lori eventually got a few sponsors to back the change in the law defining and including organ procurement organization vehicles. On May 17, 2018, Governor Henry McMaster signed amendment- SECTION 56-5-170.

Lori's fleet now includes vans with lights and sirens. She takes great satisfaction in helping the medical community and stated, "I want the pilot to only worry about his flights, the surgeons to only worry about their patients and the procurement medical team to ride seat-belted, arriving at the hospital safely and comfortably."

PARTNERS WITH A PURPOSE





You're Invited!

FALL 2018 VOLUNTEER TRAINING

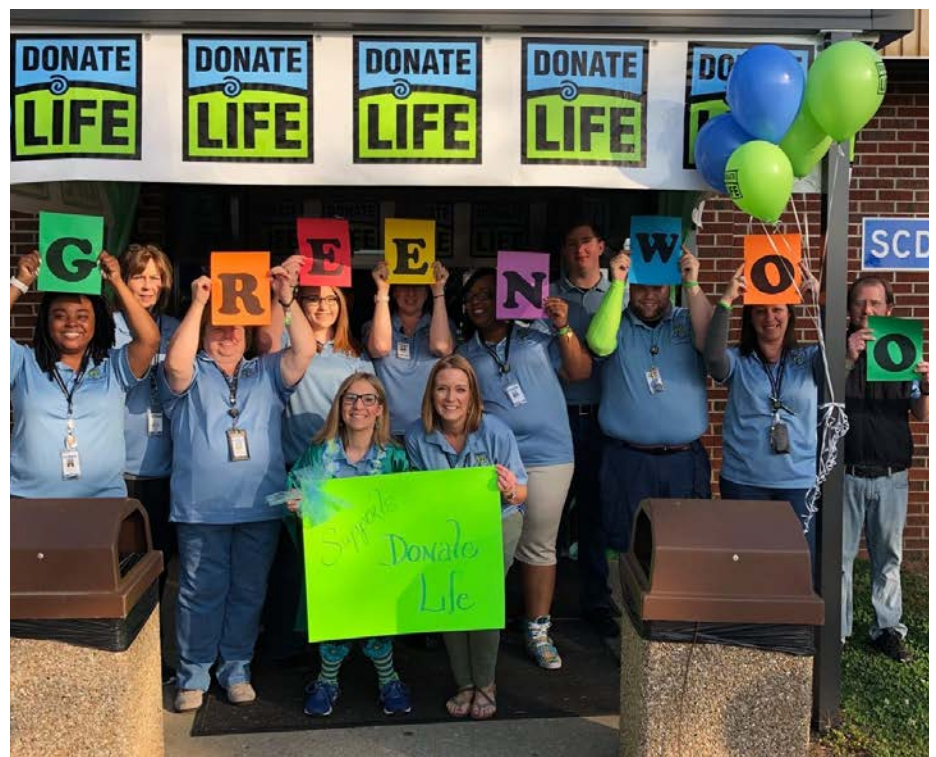
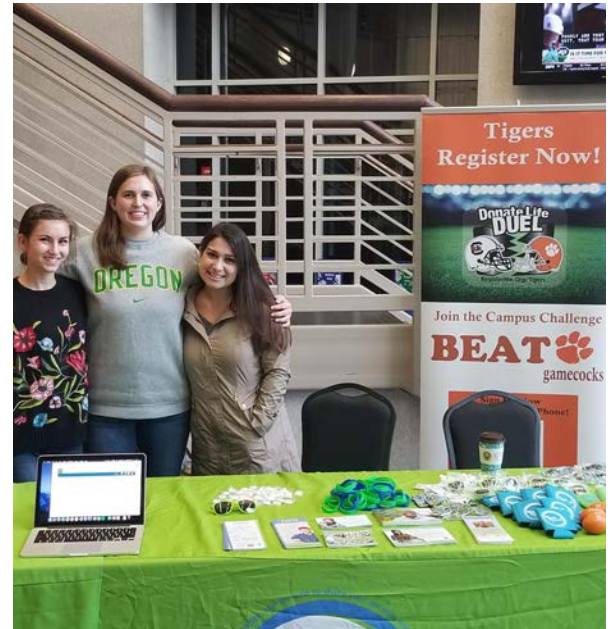
Sign Up Now!

- 9/10 Myrtle Beach
- 9/11 Columbia
- 9/18 Charleston
- 9/20 Bluffton/HHI Area
- 9/25 Greenville

All Training Sessions Start At 6:30 pm









"Organ, Eye and Tissue Donors are LIFE donors.
What can YOU make possible?"

Register today at your local SCDMV office



or at DonateLifeSC.org

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Greenville, sc 29615
Tel: 864-609-5270

web: donatelifesc.org