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## **National Donate Life Month: Say yes to organ, eye and tissue donation**

[INSERT ORGANIZATION NAME] is proud to join Gift of Hope Organ & Tissue Donor Network and communities across America during National Donate Life Month to honor organ and tissue donors and bring attention to the critical need for people to join the donor registry in Illinois and northwest Indiana. Throughout April, we encourage everyone to learn the facts about donation and say “yes” to registering as an organ, eye & tissue donor today. A single person can save up to 8 lives as an organ donor, heal more than 25 lives as a tissue donor and restore sight for two people.

Registering as a donor means that you have documented your legal decision to save and enhance lives after your death.

You likely know someone whose life has been saved or enhanced thanks to the generous gift of donation. Perhaps you or someone you know had surgery to repair a torn ligament or tendon. You might know someone who was on dialysis and received a kidney transplant. You may also know that the need for organ donors is especially critical: A person in need of a life-saving organ is added to the national waiting list every 8 minutes and many spend years waiting.

We can end the wait. Registering as a donor takes less than two minutes. Learn more about donation and register your decision today at [giftofhope.org](https://giftofhope.org).

Throughout April, post your support for organ, tissue and eye donation on social media by using #SayYestoDonation #GiftofHope and tagging @GiftofHope. Help spread the word, honor donors and their families, and encourage others to register as organ, eye and tissue donors at [giftofhope.org](https://giftofhope.org).

Thank you to all who take part in this important celebration!