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## Illinois Organ/Tissue Donor Registry

To join the registry, a person must have a valid ID and be at least 16.

More than 25 people can benefit from a single donor.

All major religions support donation as a charitable act of giving to others.

Donation is not considered until all efforts to save a person's life have failed.

Acceptable organs include the heart, liver, lungs, kidneys, pancreas and intestines. Tissues include skin, bone, corneas, tendons, heart valves, saphenous veins, blood and bone marrow.

A donor's family is never charged for the recovery of organs, nor do they receive compensation.

Funeral/burial arrangements are not delayed due to organ/tissue donation.

In the U.S., it is illegal to buy or sell organs.

Consent to be a donor may be withdrawn at any time by notifying the Secretary of State's office.

# SECRETARY of STATE ALEXI GIANNOULIAS

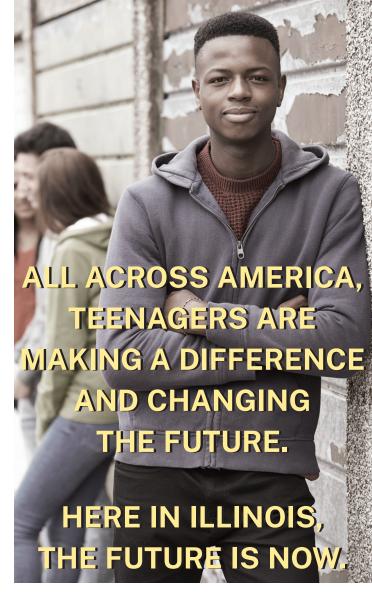
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JOIN THE ILLINOIS ORGAN/TISSUE DONOR REGISTRY TODAY.



As Secretary of State, it has been my privilege to meet teens who have a desire to change our world. They inspire their communities and influence peers and adults with the sincerity of their message. In January of 2018, 16- and 17-year-olds in Illinois were granted the ability to become organ/tissue donors.



As the state's advocate for organ/tissue donation, this program is important to me because my own family has been the recipient of the life-changing gift of organ donation. Each year, I am told countless stories of how the gift of donation saved a life. I am proud that 16- and 17-year-olds will now be able to act as donors and activists for organ/tissue donation.

A single person's donation can improve the quality of life for up to 25 individuals. More than 6.4 million people in our state are registered as organ/tissue donors, but sadly there are 4,700 individuals who are waiting for their gift of life. Each year, more than 300 people die waiting for a transplant.

I encourage you to make a difference and become part of the Secretary of State's Organ/Tissue Donor Registry by visiting www.LifeGoesOn.com. Please share information about the program with your friends and family. Your voice matters.

Sincerely,

Alexi Giannoulias Illinois Secretary of State

JOIN THE REGISTRY:

VISIT LifeGoesOn.com,

COMPLETE AND MAIL THE ATTACHED

REGISTRATION CARD,

CALL 800-210-2106

OR

VISIT ANY DRIVER SERVICES FACILITY.



Ages 16 & 17: Please include my name in the Illinois Organ/Tissue Donor Registry. I understand that by consenting to include Registry. I understand that by consenting to include stand that I am under no obligation to register as an organ/tissue donor and that I may consult family, friends, or clergy before tissues upon my death. I undermy name in the registry, I do not have full legal authority for the donation of my organs and/or tissues upon my death and that my name in the registry, I have given full legal authority for the donation of my organs and/or parent or guardian has the authority to overturn my decision until I turn 18. Ages 18 & older: Please include my name in the Illinois Organ/Tissue Donor Illinois Driver's License/ID Card Number Street Address City/State/ZIP doing so. Name 

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