

Why Canada Needs More Organ Donors



OF THE **4,044** CANADIANS ON THE WAITING LIST FOR A SOLID ORGAN TRANSPLANT ARE WAITING FOR A KIDNEY.¹

THAT'S **2,900+** CANADIANS WAITING FOR A KIDNEY TRANSPLANT.*



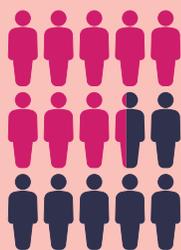
3.7 YEARS

IS THE MEDIAN WAIT TIME FOR PATIENTS TO RECEIVE A KIDNEY TRANSPLANT FROM A DECEASED DONOR.¹



25%

OF KIDNEY TRANSPLANTS WERE MADE POSSIBLE BY LIVING DONORS.¹



55% OF ALL LIVING ORGAN DONORS FOR ADULTS WERE BIOLOGICALLY UNRELATED TO THE RECIPIENT.¹



KIDNEYS HAVE BEEN TRANSPLANTED THROUGH THE KIDNEY PAIRED DONATION PROGRAM SINCE 2009.²

YOU CAN BE PART OF THE SOLUTION

Consider living organ donation.

Speak to your family and loved ones to make sure they know and honour your wishes.

Join the Kidney Paired Donation Program Registry. Learn more: kidney.ca/Organ-Donor-Programs



Register your intention to donate your organs through your provincial donor registry. Find out more: kidney.ca/Register



Employers can remove a barrier to living donation via the Living Donor Circle of Excellence program: kidney.ca/Living-Donor-Circle-of-Excellence



Learn more about kidney health and organ donation at kidney.ca.

* Statistics include single and combination transplants involving the kidney
¹ Canadian Institute for Health Information. Summary statistics on organ transplants, wait-lists and donors. (<https://www.cihi.ca/en/summary-statistics-on-organ-transplants-wait-lists-and-donors>). Accessed February 5, 2026
² Canadian Blood Services.

