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A widow recalls decision to donate husband's organs.

Dr. Nikole Neidlinger:
Reaching doctors with the donation message

Ashley Lankford with daughter, Claire

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Good news about tissues



Cindy Siljestrom, CTDN Chief Executive Officer

What a perfect time to introduce California Transplant Donor Network's new "Life Connections" newsletter, because we are making news.

Just last May, CTDN completed acquisition of the last of three regional tissue banks operations. For the first time,

we are not only changing lives through organ donation, but also through tissue donation. Burn victims receive infection-blocking skin, hearts beat stronger with new valves and a whole host of others live better lives because compassionate families and others agree to donate their loved one's tissues.

In 2010, our tissue representatives spoke with about 5,700 families. From that, nearly 2,000 families said "yes" to donation which resulted in more than 1,100 donations of life-enhancing tissues.

We are now set up to touch at least the same number of lives this calendar year. In addition, we continue to develop strong ties with our partner area hospitals, which means saving lives through organ donations.

What would make it possible to touch even more lives? Spread the word.

We have 21,000 people waiting for organs in our area – and the list grows longer every day. To increase the pool of potential donors, we say to "Tell Ten." That means you tell ten people to register as an organ donor on the California DonateLIFE registry and talk to their families. Then they tell 10 people to do the same.

Imagine the news we could make together in saving or enhancing even more lives!

With tissue services, CTDN touches even more lives

CTDN is the third largest organ procurement organization in the country. Tissue recovery was not part of its scope.

It is now. Less than a year ago, CTDN acquired three regional tissue banks. Since then, the number of tissue donations made last year topped 1,100.

Tissue is the life-enhancing twin to organ donation and a family's selfless decision to donate a loved one's tissues carries the same impact on lives. It can help someone see, replace a diseased bone, restore a weakened heart or extend a fighting chance of survival to a burn victim.

"The benefits to both the donor family and the recipients have not always been as apparent in tissues," said Matthew Crump, director of Tissue Recovery Services. "It's very easy to see what a new heart means for someone. But it is not quite as easy to understand the impact of a skin donation, until you meet with a burn victim, then it becomes quite clear."

Merging three regional banks into one unit with 60 employees wasn't easy. But it appears to be moving in the right direction. The FDA, the primary regulatory agency for tissue banks, inspected the San Leandro facility unannounced.

"They came away with zero findings, which was as good an inspection result as could have been," said Crump.

And in January, Crump accepted the first-ever Phyllis Weber Award for commitment to excellence. It honors the first chief executive officer for the organ procurement organization who retired in 2007. Crump received the honor from Weber and Cindy Siljestrom, chief executive officer of CTDN.

Crump began in tissue donations in New England. He's also a tissue recipient, receiving a donated bone during surgery on his spine. Those who do this work bring a "passion and willingness to work hard." Many for one reason or another have been touched by tissue donation – whether as a recipient or as a member of a donor family. "They found their way into the effort and found a love for it."



"Might never walk again"

– Laura Sanford's tissue story

"It was like wringing out a wet, woolen towel, and hearing those fibers pull and tear apart," Laura Sanford recalls.

Several discs cushioning vertebrae in her spine ruptured in 1996, pressing on her spinal cord.

"I remember a doctor telling me, 'Laura, we are not sure you are going to be able to walk again.'"

Laura needed a skilled neurosurgeon. She also needed a tissue donor. Surgeons would cut and expand the narrow passageway in several vertebrae to allow her spinal cord to pass through. They would need donated bone material to fill in that gap.

What lingers today for the California Transplant Donor Network's Donation Services Liaison is a scar, the numbing sensation in her left arm like "constantly wearing a wet suit over it" and a new



Laura Sanford is a tissue donor recipient as well as a Donation Services Liaison for CTDN. She joined the network in 2006.

respect and advocacy for the cause of tissue donation.

"If not for a nurse who called in a referral (to tell an organ procurement organization like CTDN of a possible donor) or a donor family who said 'yes, I would not be here today. Every morning when I wake up and put my feet on the floor, I thank my donor!'"

A daughter's transplant helps deliver a message that donations save lives



CTDN Community Development Manager Cathy Olmo prepares for an interview by a crew from Safeway stores for a video about organ donation.

Saving lives through organ donation is about to get a boost -- a video to be seen by an estimated 185,000 employees of Safeway stores.

It's the story of a supermarket executive's daughter who received a double lung transplant. But it's also aimed at explaining how critical the need is for donated organs and tissues, says Producer/Director Bob Trouard.

"I did not realize how one donation can affect so many lives. One person can provide 8 organs for others, and as many as 50 people can benefit from tissues."

A video crew interviewed the nurse and surgeons who participated in the UCSF lung transplant case.

Also interviewed were California Transplant Do-

nor Network's Community Development Manager Cathy Olmo and the organization's medical director, Dr. Nikole Neidlinger.

Taping at the organization's Oakland headquarters, Dr. Neidlinger told interviewers she sees courageous families who "at a time of tragedy" decide to donate a loved one's organs and tissues. And she sees heartbreak as patients die after spending years on waiting lists for organs.

Then there are the joyful times when, she, as a transplant surgeon, can call a recipient to tell them an organ has been found.

Olmo, whose now 23-year old daughter received a liver transplant at age two, said signing up on the California or Nevada donor registries

and talking to your family about the decision can "save a life" for some of the more than 110,000 people on organ transplant waiting lists.

Trouard said he was surprised to learn how "mission critical" it is for organ procurement organizations like CTDN to move quickly once a family has authorized the donation of a loved one's organs. A heart, for example, usually must be transplanted into a new patient within four hours after its recovery.

Once edited, the video will be screened at meetings in the chain's 1,800 stores as well as corporate and division offices.



Teen makes an independent choice

Gloria Mejia has made an important decision. At 16, she's decided to sign up on the DonatELIFE California registry to be an organ and tissue donor.

Of the 8 million people signed up, only about 1,900 are between ages 13 and 17.

Her parents will ultimately have the donation say-so until she is 18. But Gloria says her mother, Maria, has been supportive.

The Oakland teen signed up at the DMV while getting a

state ID card. Educating high school students about signing up on the registry is the focus of a campaign by DonatELIFE California and California Transplant Donor Network.

"Teens do not often have decision-making power but this is one decision they can feel free to make and can share with their families. If they are under 18, hopefully their families will honor it," said Marcella Corona, CTDN Community Development Liaison in the Fresno area.

She's aiming to have donation instructional materials in 20 percent of her area high schools by June and 25 percent by December.

As for Gloria, she is encouraging other teenagers to sign up in her Contra Costa Times column. "As a teen, it makes me feel independent. My decision is making a statement that I want my life to have meaning --even after I die."

Adds the young writer, "I think is selfish not to sign up. You are helping your neighbor."



Gloria Mejia, 16, who signed up on the donor registry.

 **YES! BE A DONOR! SAVE LIVES!**

Check "YES! I want to be an organ and tissue donor" when you apply for or renew your driver license or ID card through the California DMV or sign up online at www.donateLIFEcalifornia.org or its companion Spanish Web site, www.doneVIDAcalifornia.org.

Health Partners Saving Lives: Word spreads among clinics about donation



Clinic Health Education Manager Anna Dorman of La Clinica shows Spanish language material on organ and tissue donation which is offered at its locations in three counties throughout the Bay Area.

La Clinica de la Raza, serving more than 60,000 multi-cultural patients in three Bay Area counties, is the latest health care provider to team with the California Transplant Donor Network and its Health Partners Saving Lives effort.

Through its unique Health Partners, CTDN and clinics throughout northern and central California encourage people to save lives through organ, eye and tissue donation by signing up on the Donate Life California Donor Registry.

“When there is a non-profit cause, something that we believe in and is important to us, it is much easier to say okay to participating.”

– Clinic Health Education Manager Anna Dorman

La Clinica’s network of health-care providers is spread over 26 sites and includes services such as urgent care, primary care, school-based clinics and education centers in Solano, Alameda and Contra Costa counties. Each clinic serves a different mix of patients, but its overall clientele is 69% Latino, 14% white, 9% African American and 6% Asian.

At locations such as La Clinica’s Transit Village in Fruitvale, patients can pick up Spanish language and English

materials on organ and tissue donation. Health Partners also has materials in Chinese and Vietnamese.

Providing information in several languages fits with CTDN’s effort to specifically reach out to minority communities. There are currently more than 110,000 people on the organ donor waiting list nationally and many waiting for organs are members of minority groups.



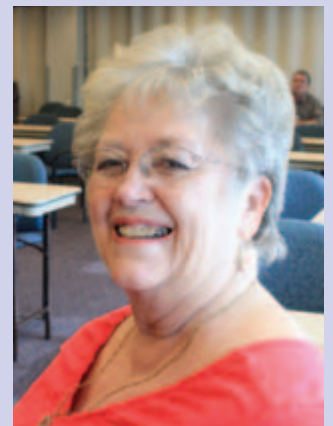
Roxana Rodriguez, senior clerk at La Clinica’s Fruitvale facilities, with the CTDN Health Partners’ campaign material. The effort strives to spread the message of organ and tissue donations saving lives to clinics around the Bay Area and the Central Valley.

Volunteer Spotlight

Marsha Koehler

Heart Transplant – 1997
Retired Medical Secretary

A health care worker, she received the heart of a 15-year-old who died as the result of a motorcycle accident. Since retiring in 2009, she has enjoyed singing and watching her grandchildren grow up. She is also a CTDN Donate Life Ambassador.



“I am doing the things I love doing. Life is blooming. I am so privileged and honored to be alive and still enjoying life.”

Question and Answer with Denise Kinder – CTDN VP



Denise Kinder, California Transplant Donor Network Vice President of Clinical Operations, received the Association of Organ Procurement Organizations' Sallop award in 2010 for "outstanding management achievements or innovative practices in the organ procurement field."

A pediatric neonatal intensive care unit nurse and college nursing instructor, she joined CTDN 23 years ago as a transplant coordinator.

LIFE CONNECTIONS: *The other day, you brought an eight-year-old boy who had received a heart and liver transplant into a meeting of your family services staff. Why was that important?*

The family team cares for donor families almost every day, but meets recipients infrequently. To have the opportunity to see firsthand the impact of their work, I thought was a really important thing.

LIFE CONNECTIONS: *From dealing with doctors, hospital execs and your family service staff at all hours, to introducing an eight-year old to your family services staff. That's quite a range of management skills.*

I probably shift gears about 100 times a day. It's

about tailoring the message to different audiences. The message many ways is the same. Donation is important. Transplantation is important. Respecting people is important. How that message is delivered changes with the situation, but the message is the same.

Actually the same day (of introducing the 8-year-old) I went to meet with the CEO of a hospital to thank them for their work on donation and to discuss some things we can work on. But again if you look at the charge, it is to make sure every family has the opportunity to say 'Yes' to donation and every donated organ and tissue that can be used is utilized to save and enhance life. If I can stay simple about the charge then everything fits.

LIFE CONNECTIONS: *So let's say you have a hospital CEO who says something like "Organ donation is a great cause, but we don't have time to have someone come out and talk to us."*

So, I ask, how do we get that message to your hospital? Sometimes it's that we just have not communicated the urgency of the need or done it in a way that works for that institution or that person. Sometimes it may seem that someone doesn't care. I never let myself believe that. I always believe there is another way to approach it.

I have been called a Polly Anna. I prefer to call it charitable intent. I believe most people want to do good. When they are in a situa-

to the real stories and about how hard our staffs work every day, keeps me connected. Makes me work harder.

LIFE CONNECTIONS: *What's a story you recall which kinda sums up the reason you do what you do?*

When I was a very new coordinator I worked with a family, a wife whose husband died unexpectedly due to a kick boxing accident. She knew she wanted to donate right away. I remained in contact with her for many years. The fact that her husband donated and was a hero was something that she shared with her kids. I heard stories about them talking about it in school. She went to school and received a

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—Denise Kinder, Vice President for Clinical Operations

tion where that may not be happening, or they may not be able to, it is often a lack of information, support even, or timing.

LIFE CONNECTIONS: *So as an executive, what grounds you?*

We have an on-line charting system. Each day, I look at activity and I see the real stories of people who are in the hospital. We are working with their families. They are the real stories of what our staff does every day. Nothing grounds you like that.

I mean, at some level, yeah I am accountable for the big picture. But I also know that a lot of the work we do happens in the trenches by our staff and the staffs of the hospitals. Staying connected

degree at a city college and got the dean's medallion for her exceptional effort. Her strength, passion and generosity inspired me and taught me a lot about what a hero is.

I have not been in her shoes. She expected to live with her husband forever. Donation of his organs did not take the pain away, but was something that actually gave her hope, something she was able to tell her children.

Donor families are the heroes. These are ordinary people who at the most horrible times in their lives choose life for someone else.



“It’s what he would have wanted”

A widow recalls decision to donate husband’s organs.



Kolby and Ashley met at college in Oklahoma and later married and moved to Vacaville, Ca., her hometown.

Kolby Lankford’s living legacy bounds around a room, a bow in her hair and soon, a second birthday to celebrate.

His legacy endures as well in a 21-year-old man, once without hope, who now expects soon to be married and have a child of his own.

The first legacy is Claire Kolby Lankford, the daughter he never met. The other is a stranger, someone with a future because he has Kolby’s heart.

Kolby Lankford died March, 10, 2009 on a snowboarding trip to Lake Tahoe in California. He was 31. Those who read his obituary learned that Kolby’s organs and tissues meant life-saving or life-enhancing medical procedures for dozens of people.

That would have made him happy.

“He was so active and worked hard to be healthy” says his widow, Ashley Lankford “...he would have not wanted to waste his organs. There was no doubt. My husband was not a selfish person.”

Mother of Claire, teacher of third graders, and widow at age 30, Ashley does not dwell on the why of the loss of her college sweetheart. Nor is she consumed with “how come” a child never got the chance to meet her father.

No, she pays her husband’s memory forward by being focused on doing good, not grief.

“My faith in God is in knowing that there is a bigger picture. The minute in my grieving that I was able to put the ‘how come’ and ‘why me’ behind me and let it go, I understood there is something

larger at work. In grieving, you have to do the work.”

Ashley recently became a volunteer for the California Transplant Donor Network. The organization carries the message of organ and tissue donation to the public and to 175 hospitals in the Northern California and Northern Nevada. Just last year, that work resulted in new beginnings for those who received the nearly 1,000 donated organs.

Ashley and Kolby’s new beginning came at college in Oklahoma. Marriage came in October, 2005.

The newlyweds moved to California, returning to Ashley’s hometown of Vacaville, a city about 60 miles east of Oakland. Each got steady jobs, her as a school teacher, he as a sleep lab technician. They planned for their first child and were thrilled in late 2008 when they learned Ashley was pregnant. They rushed to get the test done to find out their child would be a girl.

“It was a very happy time in our lives. I was seven months pregnant with our first child. We were finally stable.”

Born a flatlander in Oklahoma, Kolby passionately pursued snowboarding.

He’d frequently take off to a family mountain cabin on his off days from being a polysomnographic technician at Mercy San Juan Hospital in Carmichael. School teacher Ashley would stay behind.

“He was probably having the best of his life that day, snowing boarding, which is what he loved,” said Ashley.

That by 4 p.m. he had not made his usual call home to check on her was no big deal

Then came on knock on the door.

A police officer explained Kolby was in the hospital. Ashley and her parents raced to the Sierra mountain community of Truckee, not far from the lakeside resort of Homewood where Kolby had been found on the slopes.

“It was the longest and worst drive of my life. I knew he was gone. A social worker and doctors took me not to his room, but into another room. They explained Kolby was likely brain dead.”

The reaction of the brain to trauma is often to swell. Encased in a hard shell, it cannot expand up or sidewise. So it moves down, surrounding the life-function controlling brain stem. Ever increasing pressure on that stem soon closes down body function after body function, like sight and hearing. Helped to breathe mechanically, patients are warmth to the touch and appear asleep.

While a patient in a coma reacts to stimulus, like a light in the eyes, a brain death patient does not. Prevailing medical wisdom is stark: “No one has ever come back to life after being brain dead.”

With Kolby in that state, his pregnant wife was surrounded by family but facing a lonely decision about whether to donate his organs and tissues.

They’ve never talked specifically about that issue. After he’d been declared brain dead, she learned that Kolby had registered as an organ donor his native Oklahoma. She knew what her husband would have wanted to do.

Kolby’s heart saved that 21-year-old who for two months prior had been on the list waiting for a new heart. Ashley says she understands he plans to marry and now is expecting a child.

"I think about when I was 21. I was still in college," said Ashley. "I was in love with Kolby but still attached to our families. Now at 21, this person's life is saved... is about to get married and has baby on the way. Nothing like that would have happened without the donor heart."

While busy raising the couple's daughter and teaching third graders ("40 of them, 23 boys – I am going grey fast") in Vacaville, Ashley plans to volunteer to speak about organ donation, especially to high school students.

They are, she says, like she and Kolby once were, living happily in the moment, typically self assured that "nothing will happen to me."

She's determined to help them understand that in signing up to put their names on the DonateLife California registry when getting their drivers' licenses, if something does happen, they can leave a legacy of lives saved.

"I hope they can see a bit of themselves in Kolby and me. I think I will tell them how good it feels to help others...that you are giving life to someone."



Claire Kolby Lankford, almost 2.



Mother, wife answers 'Yes' to donation twice



After her husband Anthony Truong died in October, 2004, Catherine "Lan" Tran was asked if she would be willing to donate his corneas.

Though they had never talked about organ and tissue donation, she said yes. It was because she remembered a chance encounter with a woman in a market with a swollen eye. "I just got a cornea transplant; my right eye was blind, but now I can see you. The redness will go away".

Unimaginably in February 2006, after moving to California for a new job, Catherine received a parents' most terrifying call.

The couple's only child, Justin, a pre-med student at the University of Hawaii, had died in a pool accident. He was 19 and had suffered a severe head injury.

She agreed to donate his organs and tissues. Ten people benefited in the first 10 months after that gift of life. Later, in clearing out some of Justin's papers, she found a December 2004 college essay about the benefits of organ and tissue donation. He'd written it just two months after his father died.

"Without knowing his wish at the time of his death, I had fulfilled his wishes to donate in order for others to live on."

Catherine Tran is a Donate Life Ambassador for CTDN. If you would like to become an ambassador, contact Kathy Clark at KClark2@ctdn.org



What doctors need to know about organ donation

Doctors may see death as a heartbreaking loss in the battle to save a life.

Dr. Nikole Neidlinger tells fellow physicians to also see it as a way to save a life through organ and tissue donation.

She's working with colleagues who by training are told they are responsible for making sure patients survive.



“Every potential donor family deserves the right to hear about the opportunity for organ donation - that is our goal.”

— Dr. Nikole Neidlinger, Medical Director, CTDN

“Doctors feel a great sense of responsibility for patient outcomes and a sense of failure when we are unable to save a life,” said the medical director of the California Transplant Donor Network, the organ procurement organization for Northern California and Northern Nevada.

In 2010, the non-profit accomplished 274 organ donations, leading to the successful transplantation of 952 organs.

The transplant surgeon is convinced doctors should talk to families who, even “at the worst moment in their lives”, might see a way to find some meaning in death.

“I tell doctors that I have met donor moms who carry around a picture of themselves, holding a stethoscope to some stranger’s chest, listening to her son’s heart. For that donor mom, having that

picture and meeting that person is all she might have left of her 18-year-old son. So why would you not want to offer that to her? I just don’t think some doctors have thought about it that way.”

If physicians are unsure or uncomfortable talking about “after death” issues, it can create a barrier to donation, precluding the opportunity for CTDN’s specially-trained counselors to help families.

“So doctors may say, ‘By law, I have to bring up organ donation. That family hears ‘by law’ and thinks, ‘that sounds bad. And it is not even true,’” Dr. Neidlinger says. “More often than not, it will mean the family will say ‘no’ to donation.

“If doctors can say, ‘I know this a hard time for you and your family. You will have lots of decisions to make and one of

the decisions could be to donate your loved ones organs and potentially save other families from going through what you are going through. There’s someone here from the donor network. I know and respect them. I encourage you to talk to them.’ It can change the reception to the idea by the family.”

Since joining CTDN last year, Dr. Neidlinger has raised the issue with physician groups from Redding to Oakland. She’s been known to bring in organ recipient and donor families to make sure her colleagues see the human impact of donation.

Meanwhile, in CTDN’s Northern California and Northern Nevada service area, thousands of people wait for organs. And nationally each day, 18 people die waiting.

Michael Brice Heart and liver recipient

A donor gives life to a youngster; faith makes it happen



Michelle Wilson with her son, Michael Brice. Michael received a new heart and liver in August, 2010. “Our miracle is still here,” Michelle says of Michael.

Michael had heart issues at birth. His mother Michelle saw him for only minutes before he was rushed to specialists at UCSF. She would see him next four days later.

He would endure several heart surgeries. Doctors prepared her for a bleak outcome. She told them this was “God’s Child” and things were going to be okay.

“In 10 days, he had all his tubes out and was drinking clear liquids.”

But as he grew, the heart problem also triggered issues with the youngster’s liver. Michael’s enlarged heart soon became weaker and weaker. It was on a day in August, 2010, that Michelle received a call that a heart and liver of suitable match had been found for Michael.

Exactly one month before he turned 8, Michael was rolled into surgery. “What I am going to do?” the youngster remembers thinking. “God help me through this; bring the best out in me now. God did it.”

“I think Michael is here for a reason,” Michelle says.



Even so, he struggled through a challenging recovery. He had to learn to walk again.

Michelle recalls being in a sunlit patio at the hospital. “I sat on that patio and I said, ‘Either way it goes Lord, I know you are in control and I trust you. Whatever I know you will give me the tools to handle whatever comes at me.’”

Today Michael is healthy and defines unbounded energy. His mother has never met the family of the person who donated the organs which saved her son. If it happens, she is ready for that ...and for whatever else comes up.

Donation discussion: Faith leaders say the principles of most religions endorse saving lives

Two Bay Area pastors are supporting the idea donation of organs, eyes and tissues to save and enhance lives is faith-based thinking.

"We came from the dust and into the dust we shall return. When the spiritual essence of someone departs on death, there is an option to help, or to not. Logically what you are denying in not giving up an organ, you are saying you



"If we really want to see a miracle then become an organ donor... help someone to live."

--Pastor Charles L. Wright, Faith Fellowship Church in Oakland

would rather yourself become dust than to see someone else receive what is living in you," said Edwin H. Watkins of Mt. Zion Baptist Church in San Francisco.

"I was one who did not believe that transplants were so important until it hit home with me," said Pastor Charles L. Wright of Faith Fellowship Church in Oakland. "We should not just love each



"We identify ourselves as Christians, which means Christ-like. So if he is willing to share, we ought to be willing to share... if you care, you should share."

--Pastor Edwin H. Watkins, Mt. Zion Baptist Church in San Francisco

other and get along, but love each other enough to share organs with others who have a chance at life."

Wright's grandson, Michael, received a liver transplant in 2008.

Wright and Watkins are among several area religious leaders participating in a CTDN effort to rally the faith-based

communities, particularly minority, faith-based communities, promoting the idea that religion supports donation.

Several pastors have appeared on radio shows and taped public service announcements to encourage people to sign up on the Donate Life California registry as a donor and to talk to their families about their decision. They are also working to convince congregations to stay healthy with CTDN helping to organize health fairs as part of that effort.

Many of the 110,000 people nationally who are waiting for organs are minorities. Some of those groups, the pastors said, have had a long-standing reluctance to talk about organ donation.

Watkins blames ignorance and that few people bring up the issue in family or in their congregations.

"Ignorance is our biggest enemy. We don't know that we don't know. Out of that we develop fear of the unknown."



Pope's support for donation remains

Pope Benedict XVI supports organ donation. But he is no longer planning to donate his own organs.

Church officials say his body belongs to Christ. The leader of the Catholic Church went on record in 2008 as supporting the idea that organ, eye and tissue donations save lives.

He told a Vatican conference then that "tissue and organ transplants represent a great advance of medical science and are certainly a sign of hope for the many people who suffer from serious and sometimes critical medical conditions."

That still leaves Pope Benedict's supportive view of the concept in line with nearly all major religious groups in the world.



CTDN and area hospitals partner to save lives through donation

Referral: The number of times a hospital contacted CTDN due to a patient with a non-survivable illness or an injury.

Eligible referrals: The number of referrals in which the patient met established criterion for donation including a declaration of brain death by two physicians (one physician in Nevada).

Organ donors: The number of donors from whom a transplantable organ was recovered.

Organs transplanted: How many organs were transplanted; reflects that several organs can come from a single donor.

	Referrals	Eligible Referrals	Organ Donors	Organs Transplanted
Bay Area and South Coast	1238	193	140	455
Alameda County Medical Center Highland Campus	50	14	11	38
Alameda Hospital	1	0	0	0
Alta Bates Summit Medical Center Alta Bates Campus	23	1	0	0
Alta Bates Summit Medical Center Summit Campus	26	3	1	5
Arroyo Grande Community Hospital	6	0	0	0
California Pacific Medical Center California Campus	2	1	1	4
California Pacific Medical Center Davies Campus	20	1	2	4
California Pacific Medical Center Pacific Campus	19	6	5	11
Children's Hospital and Research Center Oakland	10	4	1	4
Community Hospital of Monterey Peninsula	27	4	2	5
Contra Costa Regional Medical Center	2	0	0	0
David Grant Medical Center	4	1	1	1
Doctors Medical Center San Pablo	8	2	0	0
Dominican Hospital	15	2	3	6
Eden Medical Center	50	13	10	41
El Camino Hospital	28	3	3	5
French Hospital Medical Center	5	0	0	0
George L. Mee Memorial Hospital	3	0	0	0
Good Samaritan Hospital	16	5	5	12
Hazel Hawkins Memorial Hospital	4	0	0	0
Healdsburg District Hospital	3	1	0	0
John Muir Medical Center Concord Campus	20	2	4	7
John Muir Medical Center Walnut Creek Campus	62	21	12	46
Kaiser Foundation Hospital Antioch	8	0	1	2
Kaiser Foundation Hospital Fremont	3	0	0	0
Kaiser Foundation Hospital Hayward	7	0	0	0
Kaiser Foundation Hospital Oakland	6	1	2	4
Kaiser Foundation Hospital Redwood City	59	8	6	18
Kaiser Foundation Hospital Richmond	3	1	0	0
Kaiser Foundation Hospital San Francisco	2	0	0	0
Kaiser Foundation Hospital San Jose	27	3	2	4
Kaiser Foundation Hospital San Rafael	6	0	0	0
Kaiser Foundation Hospital Santa Clara	36	1	4	12
Kaiser Foundation Hospital Santa Rosa	6	0	0	0
Kaiser Foundation Hospital South San Francisco	8	2	0	0
Kaiser Foundation Hospital Vacaville	2	0	0	0
Kaiser Foundation Hospital Vallejo	4	0	0	0
Kaiser Foundation Hospital Walnut Creek	6	0	0	0
Lucile Salter Packard Children's Hospital at Stanford	14	1	0	0
Marin General Hospital	21	3	3	13
Natividad Medical Center	7	0	0	0
NorthBay Medical Center	15	1	2	3
NorthBay VacaValley Hospital	1	0	0	0
O'Connor Hospital	9	2	2	8
Palm Drive Hospital	1	0	0	0
Peninsula Medical Center	11	4	2	10
Queen of the Valley Medical Center	17	2	1	3
Regional Medical Center of San Jose	59	12	6	23
Saint Francis Memorial Hospital	17	3	1	6
Saint Louise Regional Hospital	8	0	0	0
Salinas Valley Memorial Hospital	23	4	1	1
San Francisco General Hospital and Trauma Center	43	12	10	48
San Francisco Veterans Affairs Medical Center	1	0	0	0
San Leandro Hospital	13	0	0	0
San Mateo Medical Center	5	1	1	6
San Ramon Regional Medical Center	3	0	0	0

Santa Clara Valley Medical Center	34	12	5	22
Sequoia Hospital	7	1	1	4
Seton Medical Center	17	7	3	6
Sierra Vista Regional Medical Center	18	4	1	6
Sonoma Valley Hospital	1	0	0	0
St. Helena Hospital	3	0	0	0
St. Mary's Medical Center San Francisco	2	0	0	0
St. Rose Hospital	21	2	1	3
Stanford Hospital	137	8	8	24
Sutter Delta Medical Center	9	0	0	0
Twin Cities Community Hospital	12	0	0	0
UCSF Medical Center Parnassus Campus	65	7	8	24
ValleyCare Medical Center	15	2	2	6
Veterans Administration Palo Alto Health Care System	6	0	0	0
Washington Hospital	22	5	6	10
Watsonville Community Hospital	14	0	0	0
Central Valley	715	128	90	341
Adventist Medical Center - Hanford	6	0	0	0
Children's Hospital Central California	33	10	5	22
Clovis Community Medical Center	8	0	0	0
Community Regional Medical Center	228	35	24	79
Fresno Heart and Surgical Hospital	2	0	0	0
Kaiser Foundation Hospital Fresno	8	0	0	0
Kaweah Delta Medical Center	25	4	2	9
Madera Community Hospital	5	0	0	0
Saint Agnes Medical Center	37	5	4	16
Selma Community Hospital	1	0	0	0
Sierra View District Hospital	10	2	2	4
Tulare District Hospital	7	3	2	8
VA Central California Health Care System	17	0	0	0
Dameron Hospital	16	1	3	3
Doctors Hospital of Manteca	7	0	0	0
Doctors Medical Center Modesto	104	28	21	89
Emanuel Medical Center	12	0	0	0
Kaiser Foundation Hospital Manteca	2	0	0	0
Kaiser Foundation Hospital Modesto	4	0	0	0
Lodi Memorial Hospital	7	1	1	3
Memorial Medical Center	47	21	14	50
Mercy Medical Center Merced	31	0	0	0
Oak Valley District Hospital	4	1	1	6
San Joaquin General Hospital	40	7	5	26
Sonora Regional Medical Center	10	0	0	0
St. Joseph's Medical Center Stockton	44	10	6	26
Nevada and Northern Region	291	58	44	156
Carson Tahoe Regional Medical Center	7	0	0	0
Carson Valley Medical Center	1	0	0	0
Enloe Medical Center	53	11	8	28
Feather River Hospital	4	0	0	0
Mad River Community Hospital	1	0	0	0
Mayers Memorial Hospital	1	0	0	0
Mendocino Coast District Hospital	1	0	0	0
Mercy Medical Center Mt. Shasta	4	1	1	2
Mercy Medical Center Redding	34	11	6	19
Northern Inyo Hospital	2	1	1	2
Northern Nevada Medical Center	2	0	0	0
Oroville Hospital	4	0	0	0
Renown Regional Medical Center	124	28	23	89
Renown South Meadows Medical Center	1	0	0	0
Saint Mary's Regional Medical Center	10	1	1	2
Shasta Regional Medical Center	28	2	3	9
St. Elizabeth Community Hospital	1	0	0	0
St. Joseph Hospital Eureka	9	2	1	5
Sutter Coast Hospital	3	0	0	0
VA Sierra Nevada Health Care System	1	1	0	0
California Transplant Donor Network Totals	2244	379	274	952

Tissue recovery for CTDN's 2010 inaugural year helps thousands

With the addition of tissue recovery for CTDN, more than 1100 people said “yes” to tissue donation in 2010. An incredible number of generous and giving donor families donated to help others in need. Our partner hospitals, coroners and funeral homes helped facilitate the recovery of tissues.

	Musculo-skeletal	Skin	Cardio-vascular	Cornea	Total Donors
Bay Area and South Coast	296	530	93	253	684
Alameda County Coroner	3	3	2	1	3
Alameda County Medical Center Fairmont Campus	0	1	0	0	1
Alameda County Medical Center Highland Campus	5	7	3	2	9
Alameda Hospital	2	5	0	3	8
Alta Bates Summit Medical Center Summit Campus	6	8	2	5	10
Alta Bates Summit Medical Center Alta Bates Campus	5	10	2	3	10
Arroyo Grande Community Hospital	1	4	0	1	5
California Pacific Medical Center California Campus	0	1	0	0	1
California Pacific Medical Center Davies Campus	2	4	0	4	5
California Pacific Medical Center Pacific Campus	3	6	1	6	11
California Pacific Medical Center St. Luke's Campus	1	1	0	0	1
Chapel of the Highlands	1	1	0	0	1
Community Hospital of Monterey Peninsula	6	11	0	7	11
Contra Costa County Coroner	6	6	3	2	8
Contra Costa Regional Medical Center	1	0	0	1	2
David Grant Medical Center	1	3	1	1	4
Doctors Medical Center San Pablo	12	13	2	4	15
Dominican Hospital	6	13	1	7	16
Eden Medical Center	10	21	5	8	27
El Camino Hospital	3	15	1	11	21
French Hospital Medical Center	4	8	1	3	8
George L. Mee Memorial Hospital	2	2	0	2	2
George Mark Childrens House	0	0	1	1	1
Good Samaritan Hospital	9	15	2	10	20
Hazel Hawkins Memorial Hospital	0	1	0	1	1
Hospice of San Joaquin	0	1	0	0	1
John Muir Medical Center Concord Campus	10	17	5	9	20
John Muir Medical Center Walnut Creek Campus	5	15	3	11	22
Kaiser Foundation Hospital Antioch	4	7	0	0	7
Kaiser Foundation Hospital Fremont	0	4	0	0	4
Kaiser Foundation Hospital Hayward	3	7	0	0	7
Kaiser Foundation Hospital Oakland	0	2	1	0	3
Kaiser Foundation Hospital Redwood City	5	11	0	1	11
Kaiser Foundation Hospital Richmond	1	5	0	0	5
Kaiser Foundation Hospital San Francisco	1	4	0	0	4
Kaiser Foundation Hospital San Jose	5	10	0	0	10
Kaiser Foundation Hospital San Rafael	5	7	1	0	8
Kaiser Foundation Hospital Santa Clara	7	10	0	0	12
Kaiser Foundation Hospital South San Francisco	2	4	0	0	4
Kaiser Foundation Hospital Vacaville	1	3	0	0	3
Kaiser Foundation Hospital Vallejo	2	8	2	0	8
Kaiser Foundation Hospital Walnut Creek	7	14	1	0	15
Livermore VA Nursing Home Care Center	0	2	0	0	2
Lucile Salter Packard Children's Hospital at Stanford	0	0	2	0	2
Marin General Hospital	7	13	2	7	16
Mills Peninsula Skilled Nursing	0	1	0	0	1
Monterey County Coroner	2	2	1	2	2
Napa County Coroner	1	2	1	1	3
Natividad Medical Center	2	1	1	2	2

North Bay Medical Center	2	3	1	3	5
North Bay Vaca Valley Hospital	2	5	1	1	6
Novato Community Hospital	0	2	0	1	2
O'Connor Hospital	1	5	0	1	6
Peninsula Medical Center Burlingame	3	8	2	3	10
Queen of the Valley Medical Center	5	5	0	5	7
Regional Medical Center of San Jose	11	15	2	8	18
Reis Chapel - Reis Family Mortuary	0	0	0	1	1
Saint Francis Memorial Hospital	1	2	1	2	4
Saint Louise Regional Hospital	1	2	0	4	5
Salinas Valley Memorial Hospital	5	8	4	8	12
San Francisco General Hospital and Trauma Center	5	9	2	3	10
San Francisco Veterans Affairs Medical Center	0	1	0	0	1
San Leandro Hospital	6	9	2	3	10
San Luis Obispo County Coroner	1	2	1	0	2
San Mateo County Coroner	6	5	3	2	7
San Mateo Medical Center	2	6	0	2	8
San Ramon Regional Medical Center	2	2	0	2	3
Santa Clara County Coroner	13	13	4	2	15
Santa Clara Valley Medical Center	7	9	1	9	16
Santa Cruz County Coroner	1	1	0	1	1
Saratoga Subacute Hospital	0	0	1	0	1
Sequoia Hospital	2	4	0	4	6
Seton Medical Center Daly City	3	8	1	6	11
Sierra Vista Regional Medical Center	3	6	1	2	7
Solano County Coroner	2	3	1	2	3
Sonoma Valley Hospital	2	4	1	1	4
St. Helena Hospital	1	2	1	1	4
St. Mary's Medical Center San Francisco	2	2	1	4	6
St. Rose Hospital	4	6	1	1	8
Stanford Hospital	8	17	2	15	26
Sutter Delta Medical Center Antioch	4	4	2	3	6
Sutter Visiting Nurses Association and Hospice	0	0	0	1	1
Twin Cities Community Hospital	5	13	0	8	18
UCSF Medical Center Parnassus Campus	5	9	3	11	19
VA Hospital Menlo Park	0	1	0	0	1
ValleyCare Livermore Campus	0	0	0	1	1
ValleyCare Medical Center Pleasanton	12	15	5	10	18
Veterans Administration Palo Alto Health Care System	1	3	0	3	7
Washington Hospital	8	11	2	2	14
Watsonville Community Hospital	1	1	0	1	1
Central Valley	124	202	36	100	260
Adventist Medical Center - Hanford	3	5	0	3	8
Central Valley General Hospital	1	2	0	0	2
Children's Hospital Central California	0	0	2	2	3
Clovis Community Medical Center	0	2	0	2	3
Community Medical Center Oakhurst	1	1	0	0	1
Community Regional Medical Center Fresno	20	27	5	17	33
Dameron Hospital	4	7	1	4	8
Doctors Hospital of Manteca	0	1	0	1	2
Doctors Medical Center Modesto	17	21	6	10	30

Emanuel Medical Center	7	11	1	9	14
Fresno County Coroner	2	1	1	0	3
Kaiser Foundation Hospital Fresno	2	5	1	1	5
Kaiser Foundation Hospital Manteca	2	2	0	0	2
Kaiser Foundation Hospital Modesto	2	6	1	0	6
Kaweah Delta Medical Center	6	14	1	8	19
Lodi Memorial Hospital	5	13	1	4	13
Memorial Hospital Los Banos	1	1	0	1	2
Memorial Medical Center Modesto	15	29	3	14	34
Mercy Medical Center Merced	5	9	0	6	11
Oak Valley District Hospital	2	2	0	1	3
Saint Agnes Medical Center	8	12	4	0	14
San Joaquin General Hospital	4	3	2	2	6
Selma Community Hospital	0	1	0	0	1
Sierra View District Hospital	3	3	0	1	4
Sonora Regional Medical Center	3	6	1	2	7
St. Joseph's Medical Center Stockton	7	11	3	8	17
Sutter Tracy Community Hospital	2	3	2	2	4
Tulare County Coroner	1	1	0	0	1
Tulare District Hospital	1	1	1	2	2
VA Central California Health Care System	0	2	0	0	2
Nevada and Northern Region	69	135	14	69	161
Biggs-Gridley Memorial Hospital	0	1	0	0	1
Enloe Medical Center	15	19	5	14	22
Feather River Hospital	5	5	1	2	7
Glenn Medical Center	0	0	0	1	1
Mad River Community Hospital	1	3	0	3	3
Mayers Memorial Hospital	1	3	1	1	3
Mendocino Coast District Hospital	1	1	0	0	1
Mercy Medical Center Mt. Shasta	4	6	0	2	6
Mercy Medical Center Redding	10	18	2	14	25
Northern California Rehab Hospital	0	3	0	0	3
Oroville Hospital	1	4	0	1	4
Plumas District Hospital	1	2	0	0	2
Redwood Memorial Hospital	1	2	0	1	2
Saint Mary's Regional Medical Center	3	13	0	8	18
Seneca District Hospital	0	1	0	0	1
Shasta Regional Medical Center	5	15	0	5	16
Siskiyou County Coroner	1	1	1	1	1
St. Elizabeth Community Hospital	4	6	0	4	6
St. Helena Hospital Clearlake	3	5	0	3	7
St. Joseph Hospital Eureka	5	10	3	4	12
Surprise Valley Community Hospital	0	0	0	1	1
Sutter Coast Home Care	0	1	0	1	1
Sutter Coast Hospital	4	8	0	0	8
Sutter Lakeside Hospital	1	4	1	2	5
Ukiah Valley Medical Center	3	4	0	1	5
California Transplant Donor Network Totals	489	867	143	422	1105

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“Gift of Life” donors to be honored.

The Honor & Remembrance Ceremonies, organized by the California Transplant Donor Network, pays tribute to the families of organ and tissue donors. This year, the event will be held over two days, April 30 and May 1, in Hayward.

“It lets them know the gratitude CTDN has for their gift and for them being able to say ‘YES’ to donation,” said Gwenn Silva, supervisor of Donor Family After-Care for CTDN.

Photos of the donors are displayed in a slide show during the ceremony as are the family tributes to their loved one. The written appreciation and photos are included in a book which each donor family receives along with a medal.



June 26

Donate Life Ambassador Picnic – 12 to 4 p.m. at Amador Valley Community Park in Pleasanton.

July 1

New law takes effect which requires those getting a driver's license or ID card to indicate if they wish to register as an organ and tissue donor. Until now, the question was optional. Starting in July, customers can choose “Yes” or “Not at this time.”

July 20

Donate Life Day with the San Francisco Giants -- Wednesday, July 20 vs. the Dodgers 12:45 p.m.

Sept. 10

Donate Life California 2011 Walk, Lake Elizabeth, Central Park, Fremont 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. with a walk starting at 9:30 a.m. Information: info@ctdn.org or 888.570-5400.

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