

**ORGAN AND TISSUE DONOR REGISTRY FORM
FOR SOUTH DAKOTA DRIVER LICENSE/ID CARD HOLDERS**

Instructions Please complete this form. Once the form is completed and turned in you will be given an organ donor sticker to affix to your driver license/ID card. Your driver license or ID card record will then be updated to show you have chosen to be an organ donor.

Those individuals registering by mail to be designated as an organ donor may return their completed form to the address below. When the completed form is received by the Department your record will be updated and you will be sent an organ donor sticker to affix to your driver license.

Department of Public Safety
Driver Licensing Program
118 West Capitol Avenue
Pierre, SD 57501-2000

_____ In the event of my death I would like to be an organ/tissue donor.

I acknowledge that I have reviewed the following statements regarding donation.

Name Date

Organ, tissue and eye transplantation are successful, routine procedures that save or improve the lives of thousands of people each year. Unfortunately, there are many more people waiting for transplants than there are organs and tissues available. The cure to this crisis is an increased commitment to donation. One organ and tissue donor can save or improve the lives of up to 60 people.

Organs and tissues that can be donated include heart, lungs, liver, kidneys, pancreas, intestines, corneas, skin, heart valves, bone and connective tissue.

Once a donor is identified, donation coordinators obtain a medical/social history from the next-of-kin and conduct thorough tests to determine medical suitability of the organs. Additional tissue testing is conducted in order to place the organs with the most appropriate match.

Recovery of organs and tissue is a surgical procedure. Donors are treated with great care and dignity. The donation process does not preclude an open casket funeral.

All costs related to donation are recovered by the procurement organization which passes those costs along to the transplanting facility. No charges related to the donation are incurred by the donor or the donor's family.

For more information about donation, please call 1-888-5-DONATE.

In South Dakota, when you indicate on your license or identification card that you wish to give the precious gift of life by being an organ and tissue donor, you are relieving your loved ones of the burden of making that decision for you at the time of your death.

If at some future time you decide to amend or revoke your gift of life, you may do so by removing the organ donor designation from your driver license or non-driver identification card. For more information regarding amending or revoking your gift of donation please refer to South Dakota Codified Law Chapter 34-26.

Donor's Name _____
(Please print) first/middle/last

Current mailing address _____
PO Box and/or street/apt #

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Driver License or ID Card Number _____ Date of Birth _____