

Organ and Tissue Donation Patch Program

Thank you for your interest in the Organ and Tissue Donation Patch Program. Girl Scouts across the country show a commitment to make the world a better place every day. Learning about and promoting organ and tissue donation education is another way for us to help create a lasting impact. Organ and tissue donation gives people a second chance at life. More than 100 people can benefit from a tissue donation and one organ donor can save eight lives.

Girls who earn this patch will learn about organ donation and how it saves lives as well as have opportunities to promote organ donation awareness.

<u>The Donate Life Patch Program Quick Start Guidebook</u> has facts and information about organ, eye and tissue donation that you and your girls will need to help increase awareness. You will find resources on how to talk about donation, creative ideas, links and a coloring book.

<u>Live On Nebraska Educator Resources</u> includes an Educator Resource Guide that can be used for a Girl Scout troop, Facts and Figures, a Quiz (with an Answer Key!), Common Misunderstandings, and a Conversation Starter sheet.

Patches are available for free thanks to a Gold Award grant from the Girl Scouts Spirit of Nebraska, while supplies last (the patch is not available through the Juliette's Boutique store). Once your troop completes the program requirements, visit www.LiveOnNebraska.org/Girl-Scouts to request your patches.

On behalf of the more than 400 people in Nebraska awaiting a lifesaving organ transplant, THANK YOU! Learning about and promoting donation education is just another way for Girl Scouts to do what they do best... change the world!

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A Special Note for Parents and Troop Leaders

We know that discussing organ donation with younger girls may sound intimidating. Many of us are hesitant to talk about serious illness and death, especially with children. However, this patch program highlights the essential messages of life and generosity, and the activities are geared to be age-appropriate for all levels of Girl Scouts from Daisies through Ambassadors. The goal is for girls to finish the program with a sense of how important it is to spread the word about organ and tissue donation and the need for more registered donors.

The Donate Life Education Committee developed the Donate Life Patch Program Quick Start Guide to give Girl Scouts across the country a way to help increase awareness about donation. This program does not represent an official partnership between Donate Life America and Girl Scouts of the United States of America. The patches are currently only available through Donate Life affiliated organizations.





