

# SAY YES

## to organ, tissue and eye donation!

### **FACT** Lifesaving Impact

Just one donor can save up to eight lives through organ donation and save and heal more than 75 lives through tissue and eye donation.

### **FACT** The Need

More than 2,000 of your Wisconsin neighbors hope you will say yes to organ, tissue and eye donation. Any one of us could suffer an injury or illness that requires a transplant making the need for registered donors greater than ever before. Transplants offer patients a new chance at healthy and productive lives, returning them to their families, friends and communities.

### **FACT** Anyone Can Register

Anyone 15½ or older with a Wisconsin driver's license or ID can register to be a donor, regardless of health.

### **FACT** More Diversity

Transplant success rates increase when organs are matched between members of the same ethnic background. Multicultural communities are more affected by illnesses that increase risk for serious health problems, including organ failure. Diversity is critical among those who register as organ, tissue and eye donors. It helps improve and save more lives in our multicultural communities.

### **FACT** Religious Support

All major religions support organ, tissue and eye donation as a final act of love and generosity toward others.

### **FACT** No Financial Cost

There are no financial costs to be an organ, tissue and eye donor.

### **FACT** Medical Care

Your decision to be a donor will not interfere with your medical care. Doctors and nurses caring for you before death are not involved in the donation process. Donation becomes an option only after all lifesaving efforts have been exhausted and death has been declared.

### **FACT** Registering Is Easy

Register online at [DonateLifeWisconsin.org](http://DonateLifeWisconsin.org) or when you renew your driver's license or ID. Even if you already have an orange dot on your license or ID, you must say yes every time you renew.

### **FACT** Share Your Decision

Registering as a donor means you have made the decision and are giving consent to donate your organs, tissues and eyes at the time of your death. Share your decision with family and friends and relieve them from the burden of having to make the decision for you during a time of trauma and loss.

**Almost 60 percent of Wisconsin citizens have made the decision to register as organ, tissue and eye donors. Join them, and register your decision today.**

Learn more and register to be a donor at your local Division of Motor Vehicles (DMV) office or at [DonateLifeWisconsin.org](http://DonateLifeWisconsin.org). Questions? 608-261-6854

