

LifeLink of Georgia Fact Sheet

LifeLink of Georgia is an independent, non-profit organ and tissue recovery organization dedicated to serving patients in need of transplant therapy and their families. This organization is one of six divisions of LifeLink Foundation, located in Tampa, Florida.

BACKGROUND:

There are 58 programs similar to LifeLink of Georgia in the United States. LifeLink collaborates with hospitals, medical professionals, other agencies (such as medical examiners and law enforcement) and the public to increase awareness of the growing need for organ and tissue donation. LifeLink medical professionals are on call 24 hours daily. LifeLink operates under the authority of the Social Security Act and in accordance with the National Organ Transplant Act passed by Congress in 1984.

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AREA SERVED:

159 counties in Georgia, 9.8 million population, 191 hospitals in Georgia and two hospitals in South Carolina.

WAITING LIST:

More than 3,000 Georgians are actively waiting for a kidney, pancreas, heart and/or liver transplants. More than 108,000 Americans wait for organ transplants. Thousands wait for tissue transplants.

ORGANS & TISSUES RECOVERED:

Kidneys, liver, heart, pancreas, lungs, intestines, bone, skin, heart valves, corneas.

NUMBER BENEFITING:

One donor can potentially benefit 60 or more people.



Victor Mitchell, Heart Recipient

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