

Organs 'R' Us



Mission

Founded in 1996, Organs 'R' Us ("ORU"), 501 (c) (3) Tax ID 94-3333306, promotes organ donation through running and walking. Of 100,000 Americans (including 15,000 children) waiting for organs, 20 die each day before a donor is found. ORU encourages family discussions and supports transplant candidates, recipients and families dealing with life threatening illness.

Awards

- 2007 Silver Medal Jefferson Award from CBS 5, KCBS Radio, San Francisco Chronicle
- 2006 Jefferson Award from CBS 5, KCBS Radio, San Francisco Chronicle
- 2000 First Family Pledge Award from American Society of Transplant Surgeons
- 1997 Community Recognition Award from the California Transplant Donor Network
- 1997 "Most unique group to run the Bay to Breakers (the world's largest footrace) in its 86-year history," per the San Francisco Examiner, May 14, 1997.
- Winner (transplant division): The Relay, Bay to Breakers, San Francisco Marathon Relay (Runner's World Magazine, Nov. 1997), San Francisco Marathon, Rock 'n' Roll San Jose Half Marathon and California International Marathon.

Money raised by ORU has generated more than \$25 million of publicity promoting organ donation. Funds also support families in need during the transplantation process, provide scholarships for donor families attending the Transplant Olympics and purchased computers for registering Californians as organ donors (at donatelifecalifornia.org).

Runners, walkers, volunteers and supporters are invited to join ORU for The Relay, The Relay Walk, Bay to Breakers, San Francisco Marathon, Rock 'n' Roll San Jose Half Marathon and California International Marathon. Other events include the ORU San Francisco Zoo Luncheon, Packard Children's Hospital Transplant Christmas Party, ORU Day at the Tech Museum of San Jose and Mayorthon with San Francisco Mayor Willie Brown.

The 1996-1998 Relays from Calistoga to Santa Cruz were dedicated to 3-year-old Delaney Corbitt who waited since birth for a kidney transplant. Two weeks before the 1998 Relay, Delaney received her gift of life. While runners crossed the finish, President Clinton signed a Relay shirt for Delaney at Stanford Hospital.

The 2001-2004 Relays were dedicated to the memory of Nicholas Green who donated organs to seven Italians as documented in the book, "The Nicholas Effect" and the CBS movie "Nicholas' Gift." To give thanks to the boy that saved her, Maria Pia Pedala (received Nicholas' liver) participated in the 2004 Relay, which was featured on four television stations, including RAI from Italy, in 18 publications including USA Today, People Magazine and Reader's Digest, and on David Letterman (March 16, 2005).

The 2009-2012 Relays are dedicated to Katie Grace Groebner (born 7/16/02) who needs a new heart and lungs.



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Pledge Form

Organs 'R' Us promotes donation through athletics. Pledge support for 100,000 Americans waiting for transplants. Each day 20 die before an organ donor is found and 80 are added to the waiting list. Runners and walkers will relay the message on donation during The Relay 129-mile walk and 199-mile run. In the long run (or walk), organ donation saves lives.

Visit DonateLifeCalifornia.org and discuss your personal wishes regarding donation with your family. Seek online donations and ask your employer to match your entry fee with a contribution to Organs 'R' Us, 501 (c) (3) Tax ID 94-3333306, online, cash or check. As required by the IRS, receipts are provided for contributions of \$250 or more.

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