



## Company Profile

- About:** Southwest Transplant Alliance ([STA](#)) is a non-profit organ procurement organization (OPO). For more than 40 years, STA has been saving lives by recovering donated organs for transplantation. Recently, STA began recovering tissue to improve lives. STA is among the largest of 58 federally designated OPO's and is ranked among the highest in the nation for the most number of organs transplanted.
- We have facilitated more than 25,000 organs for recovery and enhanced the lives of tens of thousands of people. We are accredited by the Association of Organ Procurement Organizations ([AOPO](#)) and are regulated by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services ([CMS](#)), a division of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services ([HHS](#)). STA is a member of the United Network for Organ Sharing ([UNOS](#)) and the Organ Procurement and Transplantation Network ([OPTN](#)).
- STA serves 10 transplant centers and more than 280 hospitals in our designated service area. Our professional staff is available around-the-clock to evaluate, manage, recover, preserve, allocate and transport organs and tissue for transplantation. Additionally, STA provides hundreds of community education programs to schools, civic groups and businesses each year.
- Headquartered in Dallas, Texas, the organization also serves communities in North Texas, Beaumont, Bryan/College Station, Corpus Christi, El Paso, Galveston, Midland/Odessa, Temple, Tyler and Wichita Falls.
- STA is one of 16 Texas organizations affiliated with Donate Life Texas (DLT), the state's official organ, eye and tissue registry. Since 2006, the DLT registry has provided Texans with a secure, convenient way to make their decision to be a donor known to the right people at the right time to save lives. Registering as a donor lifts the burden of decision-making from grieving family members and helps ensure that every medically-suitable organ and tissue can become the gift of life.
- Mission:** To save and improve lives through organ and tissue donation and transplantation
- Founded:** Established in 1974, STA is one of three OPOs in the state of Texas.
- Designated Service Area** STA serves 89 counties in Texas.
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## 8 TRUTHS OF ORGAN, EYE & TISSUE DONATION



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Anyone can register to be an organ, eye and tissue donor, regardless of age, race, or medical history.



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An individual's donation status does not affect medical care. The first priority of medical professionals is to save lives.



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Organ, eye and tissue donation does not become an option until death has been declared.



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All major religions in the United States support donation and view it as a final act of love and generosity.



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There is no cost to the donor or their family for organ, eye or tissue donation.



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An open casket funeral is possible for organ, eye, and tissue donors.



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The donor and family are treated with the utmost care, respect, and dignity throughout the donation process.



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A "living donor" can also save lives by donating a kidney or a part of the liver, intestine, lung, or pancreas.

The Donate Life Texas state registry provides legal, first-person authorization for organ, eye and tissue donation upon death, which removes the burden of decision-making from the family during an already difficult time.

Thanks to the selfless, life-saving gifts of 380 organ donors, Southwest Transplant Alliance transplanted 1,267 organs for patients on the waiting list in 2017.

Donate Life Texas donor registry was founded in 2006 and celebrated its ten millionth registration at the end of 2017, making it among the fastest growing registries in the country.

Signing up is fast and easy at [DonateLifeTexas.org](http://DonateLifeTexas.org) and registering is the only way to ensure a donation decision is known at the appropriate time.

**Sign Up. Save Lives.**

