MEDIA ADVISORY

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Two Texas families united by one life-saving gift

WHAT: Beth and Les Macias, who lost their son Jared in July 2013, will meet Linda Moore, who received their son’s kidney through a life-saving transplant.

WHEN: April 9, 2016 at 11 a.m.

WHERE: 3047 Farm Road 369, Iowa Park, TX 76367. Home is across from Popular Flooring.

WHY: Three years after Linda received the gift of life from Jared Macias, the families have decided to meet for the first time.

NOTE: The families will meet for the first time at 11 a.m. and will be available for interviews for approximately one hour, until 12 noon. Please be advised that you may want to arrive a few minutes beforehand in order to capture the initial reactions.

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About Southwest Transplant Alliance:

For more than 40 years, STA has been saving lives by recovering donated organs for individuals awaiting a life-saving transplant. STA is among the largest of 58 federally designated, non-profit organ procurement organizations (OPO) and is now ranked number three in the nation for the highest number of organs transplanted. Founded in 1974, STA has facilitated more than 22,000 organs for recovery and enhanced the lives of more than 100,000 people. STA is a member of the United Network of Organ Sharing (UNOS) and is accredited by the Association of Organ Procurement Organizations (AOPO). The organization serves communities in North Texas, Beaumont, Bryan/College Station, Corpus Christi, El Paso, Galveston, Midland/Odessa, Temple, Wichita Falls and Tyler. For more information, go to [www.organ.org](http://www.organ.org).

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