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### **Southwest Transplant Alliance's new donor recovery facility named 2019 Outstanding Medical Real Estate project by D CEO Magazine**

DALLAS, NOVEMBER 25, 2019 – Southwest Transplant Alliance (STA) received the 2019 Outstanding Healthcare Real Estate Project award presented by *D CEO Magazine* at its Excellence in Healthcare Awards ceremony on November 19, 2019, at the Fashion Institute Gallery in Dallas.

Opening in the Fall of 2020, STA's new organ recovery center will include a training center of excellence, surgical suites, an organ perfusion center and an onsite laboratory. The 77,000-square-foot, state-of-the-art facility will focus on revolutionizing organ donation and transplantation, while also honoring organ donor families.

"Southwest Transplant Alliance is the intersection between organ donor families who have experienced unspeakable grief, the medical community racing against the clock, and organ transplant recipients awaiting a lifesaving miracle," said STA President and Chief Executive Officer, Patti Niles. "It's our hope that the recovery center will serve as a healing space for organ donor families while also leading our industry with innovative medical practices to improve organ transplant outcomes."

The recovery center is the first of its kind in Texas, designed to save the lives of those awaiting a life-saving organ transplant. Today, more than 113,000 people in the United States are on the organ transplant waiting list.

"The vision of this project has always inspired the entire team at STA, and being recognized by *D CEO* and the entire health care community for it becoming a reality is truly an honor. This project is so much more than a building. This is the place where hope begins for families who give life to others through organ donation while grieving the often sudden and tragic loss of their loved one. This facility will honor and memorialize that selfless act," said Chief Administrative Officer of STA, Brad Adams.

The project team includes project manager Cushman & Wakefield, construction company Adolphson & Peterson, and architectural firm Corgan. Learn more about the facility at [www.organ.org/future](http://www.organ.org/future).

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#### **About Southwest Transplant Alliance**

Southwest Transplant Alliance is a nonprofit organization that serves as the bridge between those who make the decision to donate their organs and tissues to those awaiting a lifesaving transplant. Founded in 1974, STA has facilitated more than 30,000 organs for recovery and enhanced the lives of tens of thousands of people through tissue recovery.

STA is among the largest of 58 federally designated, nonprofit organ procurement organizations (OPOs) in the United States, is a member of the United Network for 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, Tyler and Wichita Falls. For more information, go to [www.organ.org](http://www.organ.org).