

# Media Advisory

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## **UPDATED ORGAN DONOR REGISTRATION DATA AVAILABLE**

Nearly 1 in 3 Ontarians are Registered Donors

TORONTO – Updated organ and tissue donation registration data, released today by Trillium Gift of Life Network, is available at [www.BeADonor.ca](http://www.BeADonor.ca).

Last quarter (October 1 – December 31, 2016), 58,121 additional people joined the growing list of 3.7 million Ontarians who have registered their consent for organ and tissue donation. Today 31 per cent of the eligible population are registered.

Find out how your community is doing by visiting [www.BeADonor.ca/scoreboard](http://www.BeADonor.ca/scoreboard).

### **FAST FACTS:**

- Donor cards are no longer in use. Register and learn more about donation at [www.BeADonor.ca](http://www.BeADonor.ca).
- Today there are 1,500 people waiting for a life-saving organ transplant and every three days someone will die waiting.
- Everyone is a potential organ and tissue donor. To date, the oldest Canadian organ donor was 92 and the oldest tissue donor was over 100.

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