Helpful Resources for Financial Assistance
For Living Donors and Transplant Recipients

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General Support

**Patient Assistance Program**
This program by our foundation provides grants for the *most financially vulnerable* living donors *(assistance with lost wages)* and transplant recipients *(one-time assistance with anti-rejection medications)*. Guidelines apply. Talk to your social worker as a first step to see if you qualify.
https://www.americantransplantfoundation.org/programs/pap/

**Local United Way Branch**
Helps people find local organizations to help – health, financial, transportation, housing, food...
Phone: 2-1-1
Available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

**Medicare Supplement Insurance Plans**
These plans allow you to go to any doctor or hospital in the United States that accepts Medicare patients.
*Not connected with or endorsed by the U.S. Government or the federal Medicare program.*
Phone: 800-633-4227

**American Kidney Fund**
This organization provides funding to *dialysis* patients – helping pay for *health insurance premiums* and other *transplant related expenses.*
Phone: 800-638-8299
www.kidneyfund.org/about-us

**Single Mothers Grants**
A site that helps single mothers with medical bills and *life expenses* including utility bills, cash assistance, child care, college, mortgage and foreclosure prevention, eviction prevention, rent assistance, and buying a home.
http://singlemothersgrants.org/

**American Liver Foundation**
Extensive lists of financial resources providing funding for entire transplant journey from *medical costs to anti-rejection medication.*
Phone: 800-465-4837
www.liverfoundation.org

**National Foundation for Transplants**
Provides *fundraising expertise* and advocacy for those looking to fund a transplant.
Phone: 800-489-3863
www.transplants.org

**Help HOPE Live**
Supports *community-based fundraising* for unmet medical & related expenses due to cell and organ transplants and other illnesses and injuries.
Phone: 800-642-8399
https://helphopelive.org
**Dental Lifeline**
Donated Dental Services (DDS) dental care program provides access to **dental care & education** for people who cannot afford it. Restrictions: **permanent disability, or 65+, or medically fragile**. Program is provided through network of 15,000 volunteer dentists & 3,600 volunteer labs.
Phone: 303-534-5360
http://dentallifeline.org

**LIVE ON**
Social workers submit requests to LIVE ON Organ Donation, Inc. on behalf of patients in need in order to seek **one-time funding assistance** based on fund availability and need.
Email: LiveOnOrganDonation@gmail.com
www.liveonorgandonation.org

**Travel & Housing Support**

**For Living Donors Only:** If you are fully insured through United Healthcare, you qualify for **financial assistance for travel and lodging as a living donor** for up to $6,000 per patient. Some restrictions apply. Please contact your representative for any questions.

**National Living Donor Assistance Center**
Provides financial assistance to those who donate an organ; PRIORITY: individuals not otherwise able to afford the **travel & subsistence expenses** associated with living organ donation.
Phone: 703-414-1600; (888) 870-5002
www.livingdonorassistance.org

**Lung Transplant Housing Grants**
Patient and family costs for transportation to and from the surgery site, to and from clinic visits after the transplant, housing, food, and other **living expenses associated with relocation to the transplant site**.
Phone: 646-292-7930
Email: info@esiason.org
http://www.esiason.org/thriving-with-cf/transplant-grants

**American Organ Transplant Association**
This organization helps patients find **free transportation** to and from transplant center.
Email: aotaonline@gmail.com (Preferred)
Phone: 832-930-2682
www.aotaonline.org

**Angel MedFlight**
Bedside-to-Bedside **transportation for transplant recipients**. They can arrange transport of any age patient, beginning with infant and pediatric all the way through patients at an advanced age.
Phone: 877-264-3570
https://www.angelmedflight.com/

**Be the Match (Bone Marrow)**
Patient Assistance Program helps offset costs of transplantation not covered by insurance (**Finding donors, travel & lodging, prescription co-pays, and many others**) Phone: 888-999-6743
Email: patientinfo@nmdp.org
www.bethematch.org

**Air Care Alliance**
Nationwide league of humanitarian flying organizations whose volunteer pilots fly for health care, patient transport, etc. May provide **free or low-cost flights** for medical evaluation & surgery for living donors and recipients.
Phone: 888-260-9707
Email: info@aircarealliance.org
www.aircarealliance.org

**Patient Air Lift Services**
Nonprofit that arranges **FREE flights for those in need of medical diagnosis or treatment**; volunteer pilots use their own or rented aircrafts.
Phone: 888-818-1231
Email: info@palservices.org
www.palservices.org
Transplant Recipients International Organization (TRIO)/ United Airlines Travel Program
The TRIO/United Airlines Travel Program provides cost-free air transportation for transplant recipients, candidates, living donors and care-givers when travel is transplant-related.
Phone: 813-800-8746
https://www.trioweb.org/resources/trio-united-airlines-travel-program.html

Living Donor Support

General Support

Check out this guide available to living donors on our website (toolkits, lost wages assistance, mentorship, etc.):
https://www.americantransplantfoundation.org/about-transplant/living-donation/

Heal with Love Foundation
Aims to reimburse donors for lost wages during their recovery period after surgery.
Email: healwithlove@comcast.net
www.healwithlovefoundation.org

American Living Organ Donor Network (Fund)
Provides living donors with financial support, information, support groups, and in-person mentoring by other living organ donors in their community.
Phone: 215-601-6530
Email: info@alodf.org
http://www.helplivingdonorssavelives.org

Children’s Organ Transplant Association
Provides fundraising assistance to transplant families to cover transplant-related expenses (travel, lodging, living expenses, prescriptions, insurance premiums, etc.)

Medication Support

Needy Meds
Connects people to programs that will help them afford their medications and other healthcare costs
Phone: 800-503-6897
Email: info@needymeds.org
https://www.needymeds.org/

Rx Outreach
Phone: 888-796-1234
http://rxoutreach.org/patients

Co-Pay Relief Program (CPR)
Direct financial assistance to qualified patients with co-payments, co-insurance or cost-sharing associated with prescription drugs for chronic disease.
Phone: 866-512-3861
https://www.copays.org/

Silver Script-Medicare Part D
Medicare-approved Part D prescription drug plan provider. A proud member of the CVS Health family of companies.
Phone: 866-362-6212.
https://www.silverscript.com/learn/medicare-information.aspx

Medicare Prescription Drug Plans
AARP® MedicareRx plans (Part D) are insured or covered by UnitedHealthcare and may include: Prescription drug coverage for most commonly used generic and brand name drugs, low co-pays through the Preferred Retail Pharmacy Network, and additional savings with home delivery from OptumRx®.
Phone: 844-850-6592
https://info.aarpmedicareplans.com/2016/online/
**Veloxis Patient Assistance Program (Envarsus)**
Provides free ENVARSUS XR (anti-rejection medication) for eligible patients who meet certain criteria.
Phone: 844-835-6947
https://www.envarsusxr.com/hcp/patient-support/patient-financial-support/

**Genentech Access to Care Foundation (GATCF)**
Helps people whose health care plan doesn’t pay for their medicine.
Phone: 888-941-3331
https://www.gene.com/patients/patient-foundation

**The ASTAGRAF XL Copay Card**
This card allows patients who take ASTAGRAF XL to pay as little as $0 for their copay.
Phone: 800-727-7003
https://www.astagrafxl.com/savings-info

**Novartis Patient Assistance Program**
Website designed to help you find programs that may provide savings or resources, as well as access to your Novartis prescription medications.
Phone: 800-245-5356
http://www.patientassistancenow.com/index.jsp

**Health Well Foundation**
Helps people financially with copays, coinsurance, and premiums for medical treatment they are unable to afford. Goal is to give health care to people, even if they can’t afford it.
Phone: 800-675-8416
www.healthwellfoundation.org

**Patient Access Network (PAN)**
Helps patients cover out-of-pocket costs such as medication co-pay, insurance premiums, or travel assistance – must be insured and income level must fall below 400% of Federal Poverty Level.
Phone: 866-316-7263
www.panfoundation.org

**Rx Advocates**
Help people enroll in patient assistance programs program offered by pharmaceutical companies.
Phone: 844-559-8331
get.patientassistanceprograms.com

**My Advocate for Health**
Helps find free or significantly reduced prescription drugs and may help switch from generic medication to your doctor’s preferred prescription.
Phone: 877-574-3421
myadvocateforhealth.com/my-rx/

**Bridge to Access**
Patient program that provides non-oncology prescription medicines to eligible low-income patients without prescription drug benefits.
Phone: 866-728-4368
https://www.rxresource.org/prescription-assistance/bridges-to-access.html

**Medicare Patient Assistance**
Aims to help those who already have Medicare but need additional help with prescription drug coverage—up to $5,000 per year.
Phone: 800-633-4227
www.socialsecurity.gov/prescriptionhelp/

**Support and Education**

**Patient Advocate Foundation**
Patient Advocate Foundation offers assistance to patients with specific issues they are facing with their insurer, employer and/or creditor regarding insurance, job retention and/or debt crisis matters relative to their diagnosis of life threatening or debilitating diseases.
Phone: 800-532-5274
http://www.patientadvocate.org/
Second Wind – Lung Transplant Association, Inc.
Focuses on improving quality of life for lung transplant recipients by offering support, education, and info through Peer Support Program.
Phone: 1-888-855-9463
https://www.2ndwind.org/member-benefits/peer-support-program/

United Network for Organ Sharing (UNOS)
Manages national transplant waiting list & matches donors to recipients daily.
Phone: 1-888-894-6361
https://unos.org/about/

Certain States/Areas

All States: Living Donor Leave Laws – Federal and State by State

Connecticut: Kid-U-Not
Assists people who have become living organ donors with their non-medical expenses.
Phone: 203-988-2724
Email: info@kidunot.org
https://kidunot.org/

FL, GA, and SC: LifeLink Foundation
Helps facilitate and educate about organ donation within hospitals and the public in their area.
Phone: See website for local numbers
http://www.lifelinkfoundation.org/

Georgia Transplant Foundation
For Georgia residents only - Living Donor Assistance, Housing Assistance, Emergency Assistance, Dental Assistance, Insurance Premium Assistance
Phone: 770-457-3796
http://www.gatransplant.org

Decatur, Georgia: Emory Healthcare-The Mason Guest House
The Mason House is a private retreat that offers low cost housing for organ transplant candidates, recipients, living donors, and families.
Phone: 404-712-5110
http://www.emoryhealthcare.org/centers-programs/transplant-center/mason-house.html

St. Louis, MO – Gateway to Better Health
Temporary health care program for uninsured adults living in St. Louis City or County – provides health care until able to enroll in coverage options available through Affordable Care Act.
Phone: 1-888-513-1417
http://stlgbh.com/programoverview

New Jersey – Pharmaceutical Assistance to the Aged & Disabled (PAAD)
You may be eligible for PAAD if you meet the following requirements:

- A New Jersey resident; 65 years of age or older or 18 years of age or older and receiving Social Security Title II Disability benefits; and
- Annual income for 2018 of less than $27,189 if single or less than $33,334 if married; and Medicare-eligible PAAD beneficiaries are also required to enroll in a Medicare Part D Prescription Drug Plan in NJ.

Phone: 1-800-792-9745
http://www.state.nj.us/humanservices/doas/services/paad/

San Diego: John Brockington Foundation
Financial and resource support to living donors-assists patients listed for transplant at any of the 4 San Diego transplant centers: Scripps Green, Sharp Memorial, Rady Children’s, and UCSD.
Phone: 619-299-4426
Texas: Compassionate Touch.
Offers assistance for patients in Texas Medical Center, Dallas, Central Texas, and Tarrant County with lodging, meals, parking, rent, travel, and more. 
https://compassionatetouch.org/what-can-compassionate-touch-offer-me/

Houston, TX: Nora’s home
Offers transplant patients and their families an affordable place to stay where they can find support and share experiences with others, in the comfort of a home-like environment. 
Phone: 832-831-3720 
https://norashome.org/