## 2022 Annual Report



# Donate Life South Carolina





Donate Life South Carolina, a state-authorized nonprofit 501 (c)3 organization, is solely responsible for managing the organ, eye and tissue donor registry. We are dedicated to saving the lives of thousands of South Carolinians awaiting life-saving transplants.



# Our Mission and Vision

## **Mission**

Our mission is to promote organ and tissue donation for transplantation and provide patient assistance for South Carolina recipients.

Donate Life South Carolina established and maintains the South Carolina Organ, Eye and Tissue Registry.

## **Vision**

Our vision is to work collaboratively with partnerships in this state and the nation so that all individuals who need a transplant receive one.



## Message from Executive Director



Looking back at 2022, it becomes evident that the power of the South Carolina communities working together to save lives is mighty. There were significant moments of shared experiences with Donate Life events that allowed donor families, recipients, living donors, recovery agencies, and transplant medical professionals to engage with one another and experience a shared understanding of the vital benefit of organ, eye and tissue donation for transplantation, and to honor all donor HEROES who gave the gift of life.

2022 was a busy year with travel across all four state quadrants and faraway destinations. In July, TEAM South Carolina traveled to San Diego, California, to participate in the 2022 Transplant Games of America, a multi-sport event for individuals who have undergone lifesaving transplant surgeries and living donors who gave to those waiting for a transplant. In addition, donor families are honored throughout, paying tribute to donor heroes. You can find a beautiful video of the team's experience on our website https://www.donatelifesc.org/events/transplant-games-of-america/.

"There is no power for change greater than a community discovering what it cares about."

- Margaret J. Wheatley

The year ended in Pasadena, California, at the Tournament of Roses Parade. The parade was a spectacular and moving event to attend! The Donate Life float "Lifting Each Other Up" was awarded the Sweepstakes Trophy, the parade committee's highest award. South Carolina parade float walkers Thomas Dougall, a living kidney donor, and his wife, Wendy Dougall from Columbia, SC, a tissue recipient, along with Jo Byrd, float rider and kidney recipient, whose living donor was a good neighbor and friend, Thomas Dougall, was honored on the float. In addition, Rylan and Landon Ellenberg, part of a set of triplets, were floragraph (floral portraits) donor honorees. All South Carolina attendees left honored and inspired by the floats visible campaign to educate the public about the importation of organ, eye and tissue donation for transplantation.

I want to acknowledge and extend thanks to all those who selflessly support this agency by giving their time, talent, and resources! Building strong state teams is part of our legacy. I am fortunate to be a part of such a large community of outstanding South Carolina partnerships that serve this lifesaving cause. Most importantly, I extend my extreme gratitude and love to all donors and donor families who have said "Yes" to donation for transplantation. In that decision, they left a legacy of the most significant magnitude—the Gift of LIFE.

Donate Life South Carolina remains strong and continues to grow as we hold to our mission of reaching our strategic goals while focusing on our vision so that one day, all individuals in South Carolina and the nation who need a transplant will receive one.

Tracy Moore, CEO and Executive Director Donate Life South Carolina

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### 2022 Directors & Advisors

Alan Sipe, Chairperson Father of son who passed while waiting for a lung transplant Pee Dee Region

**Kathy Cox Walker,** Vice-Chairperson Media Consultant Midlands Region

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Midlands Region

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Dr. Cuenin is an awarded
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Associate Professor and Director
of the Post-Graduate Periodontics
Program at MUSC.
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Upstate Region

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Board Member Emeritus Kidney Transplant Recipient Low Country Region

### **Royce J Carter**

Grandson received liver transplant Upstate Region

#### **Jane Sipe**

Mother of son who passed waiting for a lung transplant Pee Dee Region

### **Sherrie Shore**

Administrative Program Director Donate Life South Carolina Upstate Region





## **2022 SOUTH CAROLINA Transplantation Statistics**





### LIVES SAVED



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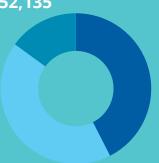
CORNEAL DONOR HEROES

### **2022 Operating Expenses**

\$347,567



General Administration 52,135



SC Donor Registry 147,716



Public Education and Patient Assistance 147,716



Donate Life South Carolina is a nonprofit agency committed to saving and healing lives through organ, eye and tissue donation for transplantation. We are able to do so through operating funds that come from generous citizen contributions through the South Carolina DMV, state grants and other contributions.



### **April is National Donate Life Month**



Donate Life SC, SCDMV staff, We Are Sharing Hope SC, Miracles in Sight, PRISMA, and MUSC transplant hospitals traveled across the state in honor of donor heroes who gave the gift of LIFE and in celebration of renewed hope and healing for those South Carolinians receiving a transplant.









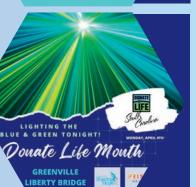
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## Lighting Up Blue and Green across South Carolina!



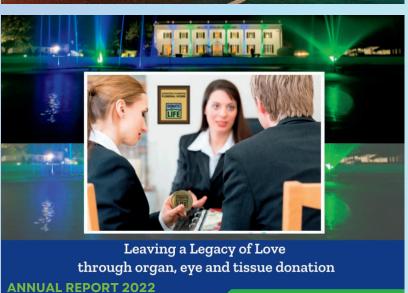














### **More Donate Life Events for 2022**



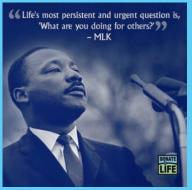




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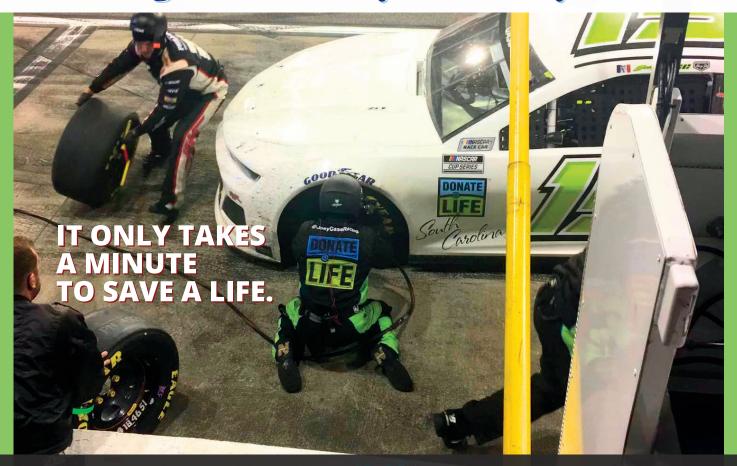








### **Darlington Raceway with Joey Gase**





**Joey Gase said** 



to Organ, Eye and Tissue Donation

A long-time advocate of organ donation, NASCAR driver Joey Gase has been a passionate spokes person for saving lives since his mother, Mary, died of a sudden brain aneurysm in 2011. Joey's decision to donate her organs, eyes and tissues, ultimately helped save and improve the lives of 66 different individuals in desperate need of a transplant. Expressing his connection to donation, Joey said, "I have seen first-hand the good it can do for the donor family, the transplant recipient and their family. Therefore, I want to do whatever I can to help raise awareness for donation and honor all of those affected by it."

NASCAR driver and champion for #DonateLife, Joey Gase, will drive #35 Emerling-Gase Motorsports at the Darlington raceway. Donate Life South Carolina is a proud sponsor of Joey Gase in this year's 2022 Sport Clips Haircuts VFW Help a Hero 200.

As team supporters of Joey Gase and "Emerling-Gase Motorsports," we encourage you to register today at your local SCDMV office, DonateLifeSC.org, or on your iPhone Medical Health App.















### 2022 Transplant Games of America





















HONORING THE LEGACY
TEAMSC Team Members

Dennis Murphy



Always in Our Hearts
MAY 6, 1936 - AUGUST 11, 2019

HONORING THE LEGACY TEAMSC Team Members

Steven Ford



Always in Our Hearts
JULY 9, 1953 - MAY 28, 2021

Dedicating our participation in this year's games to TEAMSC athletes Dennis Murphy and Steven Ford, whose passing leaves us striving to live out every minute as a GIFT.



## San Diego, California























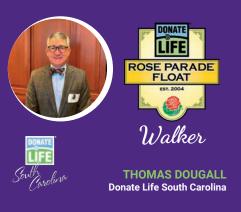




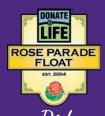




### Donate Life Rose Parade Float



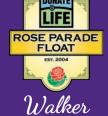






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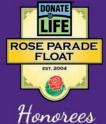


**WENDY DOUGALL** 





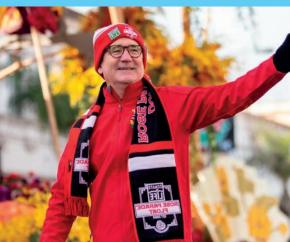






RYLAN & LANDON ELLENBERG **Donate Life South Carolina** 















## Donate Life Rose Parade Float



















# Working Together to Save & Heal Lives through Organ, Eye and Tissue Donation for Transplantation















































Organ donors are LIFE donors. What Can YOU make possible?



## BEE A HERO

## AND REGISTER YOUR DECISION TO SAVE AND HEAL LIVES TODAY



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