



2021 Annual REPORT

National Foundation
for Transplants

The First Stop for a Second Chance



**Someone gave grandpa a
second chance at life. I'm
so glad they did.**

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About NFT



Mission

National Foundation for Transplants exists to save lives by removing financial and other barriers that delay or prevent transplantation.

History



ational Foundation for Transplants was established in 1983, in Memphis, TN. Originally named the Liver Organ Transplant Fund, the organization was founded by four caring and compassionate women after they read about a young girl who needed a liver transplant but could not afford the procedure.

These women - Mary Clouse, Liz Hull, Brenda Brimm, and Elise Waldheim - worked hard to raise funds for the transplant and related expenses, and their tireless dedication contributed to the patient's successful transplant.

Other transplant candidates soon began contacting the organization for assistance, and it became evident that transplant candidates across the country would benefit from such an organization. The organization name was changed to Organ Transplant Fund to reflect the many different types of transplants represented.

In 1998, the board of directors voted to change the name to the National Foundation for Transplants to better convey the organization's national reach and to clearly include patients needing tissue, bone marrow or other transplants.

What began as a local endeavor has evolved into an organization benefiting thousands of organ and



National Foundation for Transplants

What we do . . .

- Provide fundraising expertise and advocacy for patients in need of an organ transplant and their families.
- Provide expert resources for medical professionals.
- Promote organ and tissue donation.
- Support innovative solutions for lifesaving treatment.



Financial Assistance

Affording a transplant (and all of its pre and post transplant cost is challenging even with the best insurance. We help patients and their families fill the financial gap.



Patient Advocates

Education, information and person-to-person support are key to navigating the transplant journey successfully. We've been there and helped over 2000 patients in 2017.



Transplant Partnerships

We have highly productive, time-tested relationships with the nation's top specialists, surgeons and transplant centers. We work to ensure every patient has access to

Our Impact

We distributed
more than
\$3M
in financial assistance

Paid over
\$436K
insurance
premiums

We distributed
more than
\$1M
in medical expenses

Provided over
\$329k
in pharmaceutical
assistance

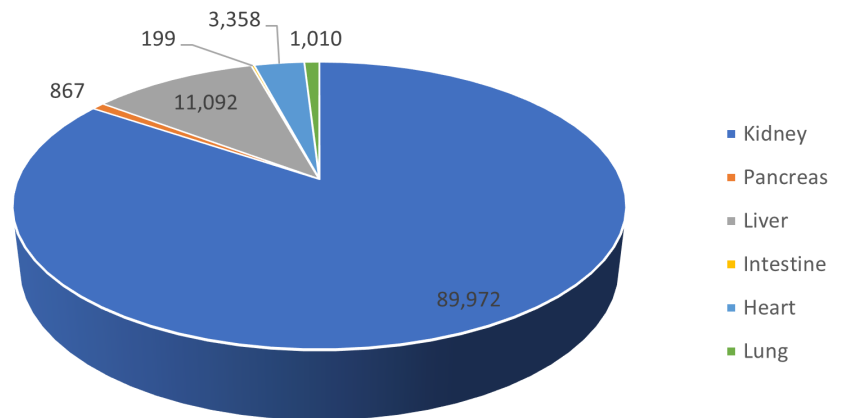
Assisted over
4k
individuals &
community partners

**More than 105,000 people
are waiting for an organ.**

More than 6,000 candidates died in 2020 while on the wait list, or within 30 days of leaving the list for personal or medical reasons, without receiving an organ transplant. (Source: Organ Procurement and Transplantation Network)

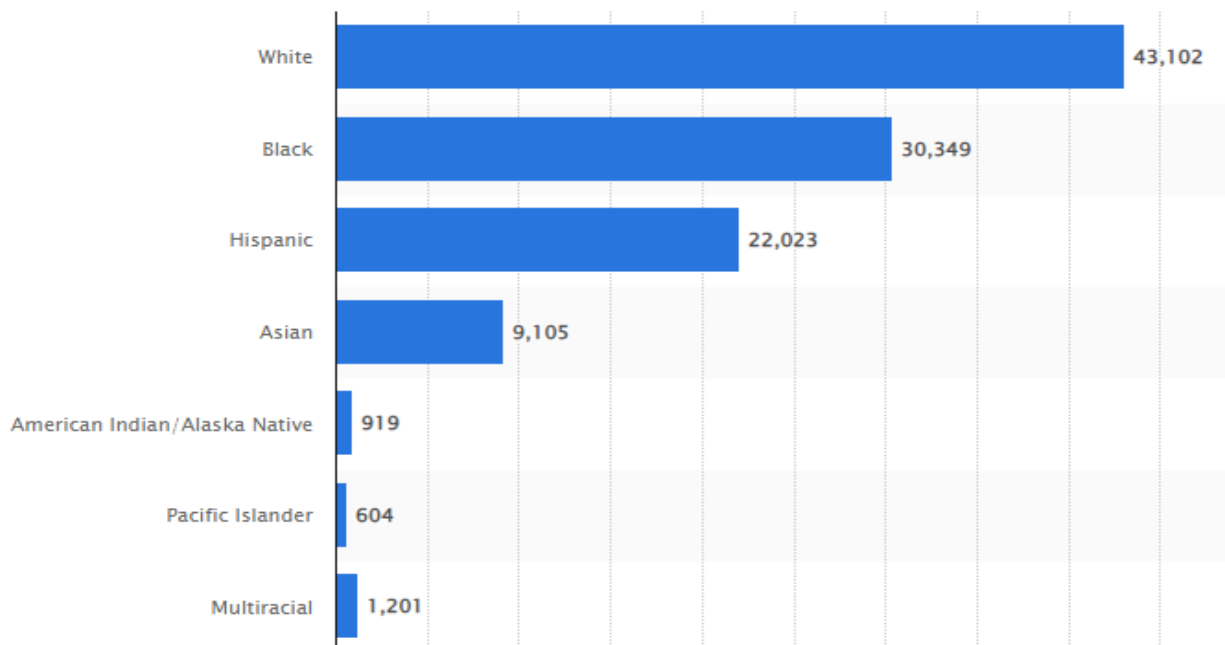
Waiting List Candidates by Organ Type — All Patient States

Organ	Candidates
Kidney	89,972
Pancreas	867
Liver	11,092
Intestine	199
Heart	3,358
Lung	1,010



Source: Organ Procurement and Transplantation Network (8/2022)

Waiting List by Ethnicity



Source: U.S. Government Information on Organ Donation and Transplantation (6/2017)

**41,354 Transplants
Performed in 2021**

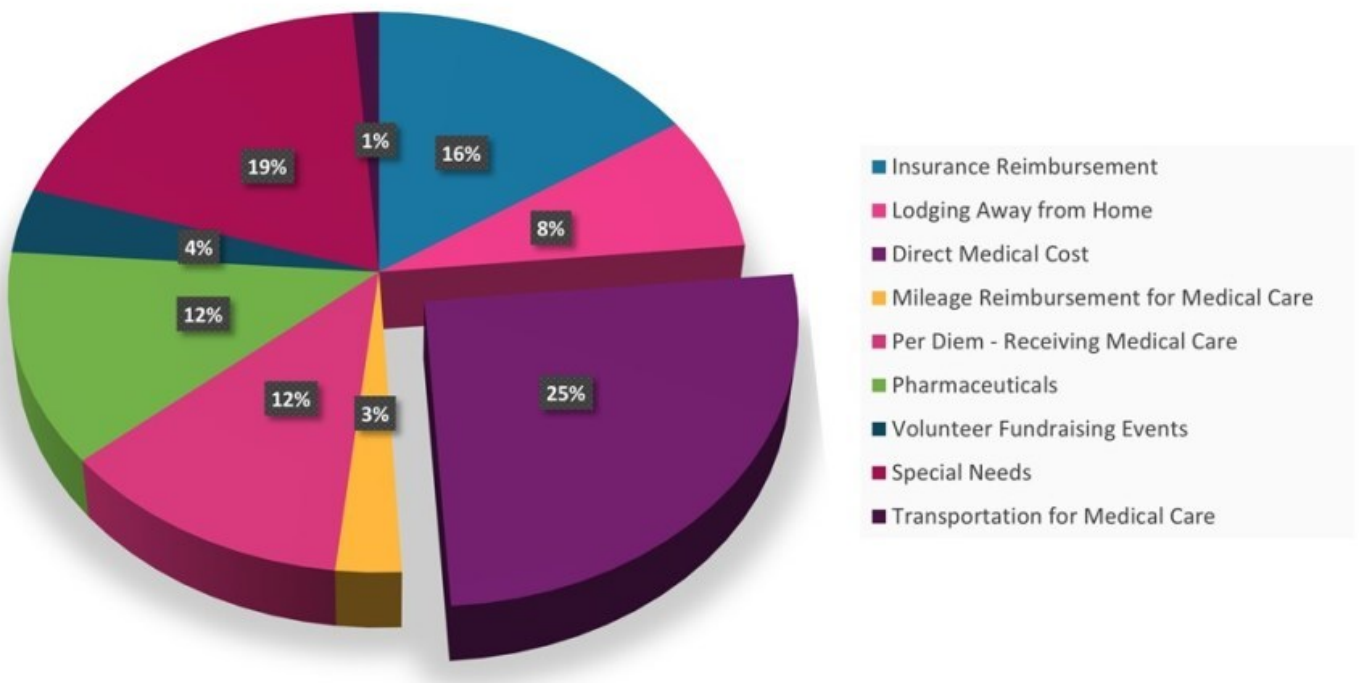
The National Foundation for Transplants plays a vital role in the transplantation community along with organ procurement and organ allocation agencies, transplant centers, and advocacy organizations. Working in concert, we help increase the number of transplants and reduce the number of patients who die while waiting on a transplant.

Serving Those in Need



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CARING FOR THE MEDICAL NEEDS OF TRANSPLANT PATIENTS



Patrick Taylor's Story

"It takes heart to be an organ donor."

Patrick Taylor was scheduled to participate in the National Foundation for Transplants annual 5k race but he had to cancel for a reason that was anything but typical. Seven weeks prior to the race, Taylor received a heart transplant. He predicted he would be back, stronger and better. He's got a good heart (literally) and that's something he wants people to understand. It was the kindheartedness of an organ donor that gave him a second chance at life. That single act can save so many lives. It's a way to help your fellow man.



In 2006, Taylor was 23 years old and on a dinner date. His heart began to race. Not the speed it did when he was with his girlfriend, Robin, who later became his wife, but a pace that was frightening. They went to the emergency room where doctors found his heart racing at 210 beats per minute. His heart was stabilized in the emergency room and he underwent a battery of tests which ultimately showed he had idiopathic cardiomyopathy, a virus in his heart with no discernable cause.

His pacemaker was implanted, and he was put on medicine to manage the condition. That lasted for 10 years. In 2016, his wife was a resident working more than 100 hours a week. Taylor worked full-time at Methodist Hospital managing a cardiology and cardiovascular group practice. And the couple was raising their two daughters, Charlotte, who is now five years old, and Mary Michael who is 22 months old.

In late 2015, Taylor's energy level began to plummet. His health began to degenerate. He could barely breathe. He woke up each morning ready to go back to bad. He tried to manage a semblance of normalcy for his girls. He took them to the zoo, played with them and tucked them in at night, but it was getting harder.

A cardiac evaluation in early 2015 showed he was in need of a transplant. He was a good candidate, healthy, athletic and young. He decided to have his surgery at Vanderbilt University Medical Center, which is ranked No. 2 in the nation regarding the number of heart transplants. He was put on the waiting list and admitted to the hospital on Feb. 4. Six days later he received a heart.

"When I opened my eyes after surgery, the colors were brighter," Taylor said. "Everything was brighter. When I was sick, everything was in a haze, because I didn't have oxygenated blood. I could breathe, I had energy."

Two months later, he was back at work. It wasn't too much longer when he could be back to exercising, running six to 12 miles a week.

Life is sweeter now. He doesn't get angry now about the little things. He no longer gets angry at rude drivers. Being a blessing to other people is. He helps older adults who are having trouble walking or doing other things. He gently reminds individuals who get exasperated when an old person is walking in front of them at the store that they too will be old one day. Taylor also realized he needed to share this blessing and become a vocal advocate for organ donation. He hopes to take his message to high school students. "I wasn't much older than seniors in high school when this happened to me," Taylor said. "When you are that young you don't think about things like signing up to donate your organs. I want to change that."

About NFT, Taylor says, "I am a huge advocate for NFT. The organization was absolutely incredible during my time of need and I cannot thank you all enough."



*Aubrie
as a baby, was diagnosed with dilated cardiomyopathy.
She needed a new heart. At the age of one, she
received her transplant.*

**“Audrey is six going on 30! We were told that Aubrie is now under the category ‘low risk’ for rejection! How amazing! Thank you NFT.”
— Aubrie’s mom.**



*James
received a liver transplant, married his true love, and went on
to receive the Claes Nobel National Teaching Award.*

**"I was given a second chance at life. Thank you NFT!"
—James B.**



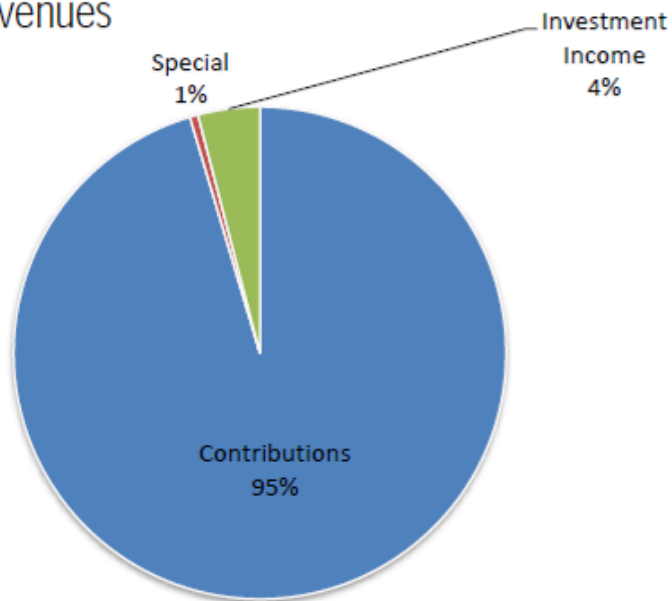
Maira

as a baby, was diagnosed with cystic fibrosis. It took a toll on her lungs and they collapsed in 2014. At the age of nine, she received a double-lung transplant.

"It was an incredibly difficult time for our family. We wanted nothing more than to see our little girl healthy, happy and playing like other children her age." —Maira's parents

Financial Overview

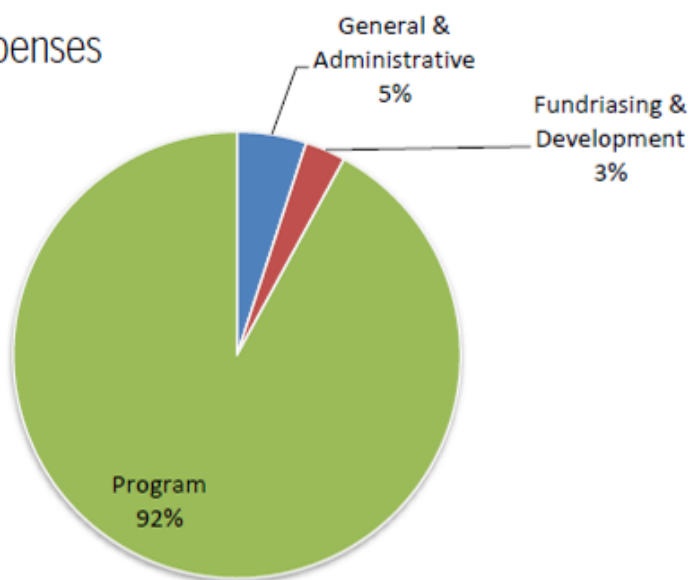
Operating Revenues



Total Operating Revenues:

2,651,454

Operating Expenses



Total Operating Expenses:

2,247,706

Gratitude to our Donors

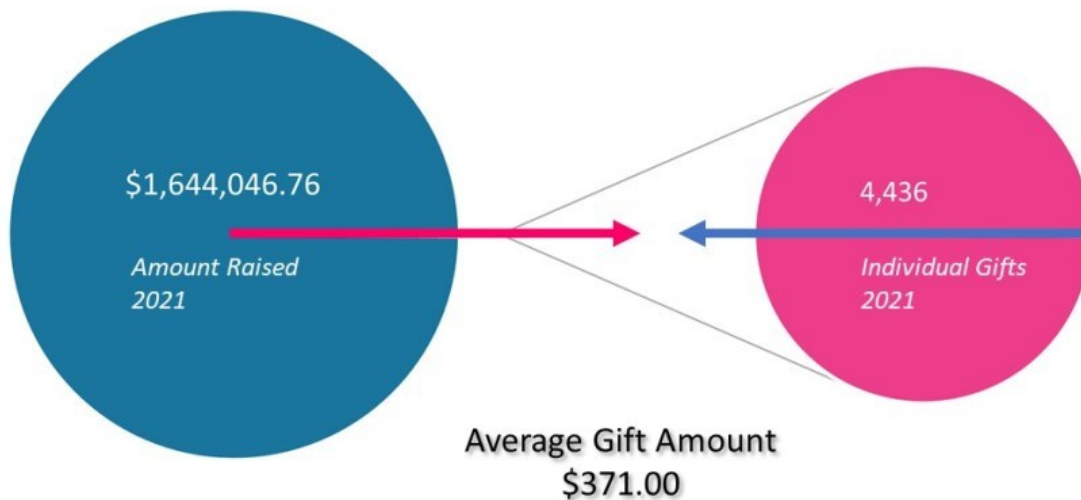
Our 2019-2020 Fiscal Year Donors

NFT is constantly humbled by the generosity of our supporters who give graciously for those in desperate need. Your thoughtfulness has enriched our patients' lives. We are pleased to report that our donors generously contributed more than \$2.6 million during a 12-month period to help transplant patients receive a second chance at life. The chart below reflects donations raised during the 2nd half of 2021.



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HEAL LIVES

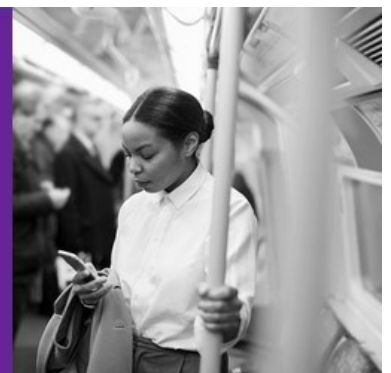


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Contact us at 800-489-3863
Donate at donate.transplants.org

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National Foundation for Transplants has helped transplant patients raise funds to cover out-of-pocket expenses related to receiving a transplant. Call us, we may be able to help you too?



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