

Lung Transplant Resources

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Air Care Alliance 1-888-260-9707	Pilots volunteer to fly for health care, patient transport, disaster relief, youth education, environmental support and other public service. Note: Pilots do not fly patients or supplies when insurance or other funds can provide commercial transport via air ambulance, charter, or airline.	No Age Restrictions/ No Income Restrictions	National	✓	✓	✓	✓
Air Charity Network 1-877-621-7177	Pilots volunteer their own aircraft, fuel, and time to provide transportation to those who are financially distressed or otherwise unable to travel on public transportation. The network provides people air transportation to specialized health care facilities or distant destinations due upon family, community, or national crisis.	No Age Restrictions/ No Income Restrictions	National	✓	✓	✓	✓
American Organ Transplant Association 713-344-2402	Provides patients with free transportation to and from their transplant center. A companion voucher is provided for patients who are minors and in cases where it is deemed medically necessary. Additional programs include a medication assistance program and patient support groups. Note: Requests for assistance must originate from a transplant coordinator or social worker.	No Age Restrictions/ No Income Restrictions	National	✓	✓	✓	✓

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Boomer Esiason Foundation (BEF) 646-292-7937	Provides assistance to families to help pay for expenses that are not covered by their insurance, including but not limited to, transportation costs to and from transplant center, transportation to and from clinic visits following transplant, housing expenses, food costs and expenses associated with relocation to a transplant location. Learn more about or apply to the BEF Transplant Grant Program .	No Age Restrictions/ Income Based On Sliding Scale	National	✓	✓	✓	✓
Children's Organ Transplant Association (COTA) 1-800-366-2682	Provides financial assistance and family support to patients who require life-saving organ, bone marrow, cord blood or stem cell transplant.	Age ≤ 21/No Income Restrictions	National	✓	✓	✓	✓
Georgia Transplant Foundation (GTF) 770-457-3796	Provides help to meet the needs of organ transplant candidates, living donors, recipients and their families by providing information and education regarding organ transplantation, granting financial assistance and patient advocacy. GFT programs include: Transplant Fundraising Program, Housing Assistance, Dental Assistance, Insurance Premium Assistance, Emergency Assistance, Living Donor Assistance, Temporary Medication Assistance, Pediatric Specialty Assistance, Academic Scholarships, Marriage Retreat, The Mentor Project, Trends in Transplant Conferences and JumpStart Program.	No Age Restrictions/ Individual Program Require Proof of Income	Georgia	✓	✓	✓	✓
Give Forward 312-322-1200	Provides online fundraising pages, allowing friends and family to help raise money directly.	No Age Restrictions/ No Income Restrictions	National	✓	✓	✓	✓

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Help Hope Live (HHL) 1-800-642-8399	Provides personalized fundraising guidance, customized fundraising materials, free web pages for online fundraising, and more to patients and families faced with a transplant, catastrophic injury or illness. HHL programs help to bridge the gap between what health insurance will pay and what it actually costs to heal, live and thrive.	No Age Restrictions/ No Income Restrictions	National	✓	✓	✓	✓
Miracle Flight for Kids 1-800-359-1711	Helps fly children who are struggling diseases to specialized medical treatment centers across the United States. Any child needing medical treatment or seeking out a second opinion not available in their hometown is eligible.	Age ≤ 17/ Income Based on \$20,000 Per Person in Household	National	✓	✓	✓	✓
National Foundation for Transplants (NFT) 1-800-489-3863 901-684-1697	Assists transplant patients by helping them overcome financial obstacles. NFT provides advocacy, fundraising expertise and grants to transplant patients for medical care, medications and travel needs.	No Age Restrictions/ No Income Restrictions	National	✓	✓	✓	✓
Second Wind Lung Transplant Association 1-888-855-9463	Provides support, advocacy, education, information and guidance to improve the quality of life for lung transplant recipients, lung surgery candidates, people with pulmonary concerns and their family members. Resources include Airways, published 6 times per year, Second Wind Message Board, Frequently Asked Questions, Center Liaison Program, Patient Stories, Peer Support Program, and Financial Assistance. Financial Assistance Program limited to \$1,500 lifetime limit, with \$500 annual limit.	No Age Restrictions/ Income < \$50,000	National (excludes St. Louis Children's Hospital or Barnes-Jewish Hospital)	✓	✓	✓	✓

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The Living Bank 1-800-528-2971 713-961-9431	Raises awareness of the critical need for organ transplant donors through public education and advocacy. Programs include Living Donor Advocacy, Minority Outreach and General Public Outreach. Travel Stipend/Donor Support Program assists living donors in arranging transportation and provides stipends for travel. The Living Bank is the oldest and largest organ donation education organization in the United States. ¹	No Age Restrictions/ No Income Restrictions	National	✓	✓	✓	✓
Transplant Foundation Inc (University of Miami) 1-866-900-3172 305-817-5645	Provides patient services, education and research, including assistance during both pre-operative and post-operative rehab stages, financial assistance for transportation, medications and temporary housing, community education efforts, and funding research on surgical techniques, organ preservation, graft tolerance and more. Note: Requests for assistance must originate from a transplant coordinator or social worker.	No Age Restrictions/ No Income Restrictions	Florida (University of Miami)	✓	✓	✓	✓
Transplant Living 1-888-894-6361	Transplant Living is a project of the United Network for Organ Sharing (UNOS). The Transplant Living web site is designed to support the provider/patient relationship by providing support groups, patient resources and pre- and post-transplant information.	Age Limits Vary by Transplant Centers/ Income Restrictions Not Disclosed	National	✓	✓	✓	

¹ Health Information Resource Database, National Health Information Center - <http://www.health.gov/nhic/NHICScripts/Entry.cfm?HRCODE=HR0177>

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Transplant Recipients International Organization (TRIO) 1-800-874-6386 202-293-0980	TRIO serves its members in the areas of awareness, support, education and advocacy. In partnership with United Airlines, TRIO offers a travel program for needy patients. Other TRIO resources include a newsletter, support network, scholarships, coalition building and patient forum/bulletin board.	No Age Restrictions/ No Income Restrictions	National	✓	✓	✓	✓
TransWeb 734-764-4141	TransWeb is a nonprofit educational web site serving the transplant community. Developed by the University of Michigan, it features patient stories, donation information, frequently asked questions, as well as reference materials and videos.	No Age Restrictions/ No Income Restrictions	National	✓	✓	✓	✓

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