

*“This newsletter provides you with important information about actions you can take to help save lives. Thank you!”*

— Assemblyman Phil Palmesano

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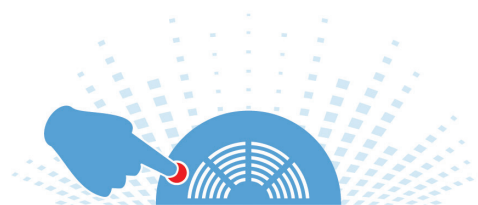
**Home Fires Claim Seven Lives Every Day...**  
**but having working smoke alarms**  
**can cut the risk of death by half.**

That's why the American Red Cross is installing free smoke alarms nationwide as part of their Sound the Alarm events.

This year, they'll install free smoke alarms, create escape plans, and share fire safety information.

For more information on this program please contact the American Red Cross.

Call **607-442-4109** or  
visit **SoundTheAlarm.org**  
to learn more!



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*Save a Life*



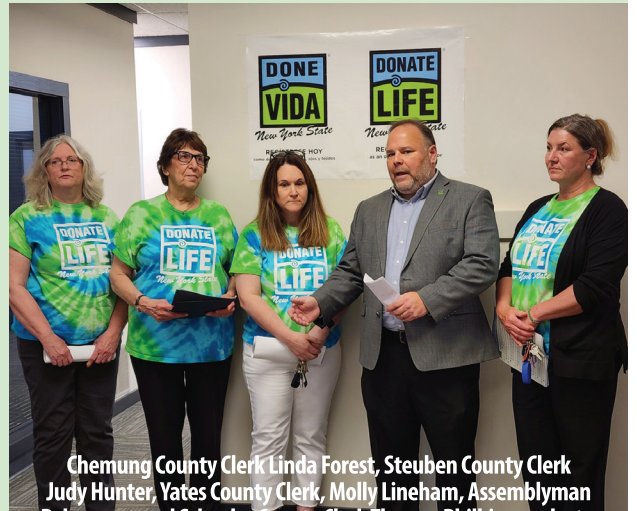
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# Organ Donation by the Numbers

(as of July 2024)

**One donor can save the lives of 8 people through organ donation and improve the lives of 75 more through eye and tissue donations.**

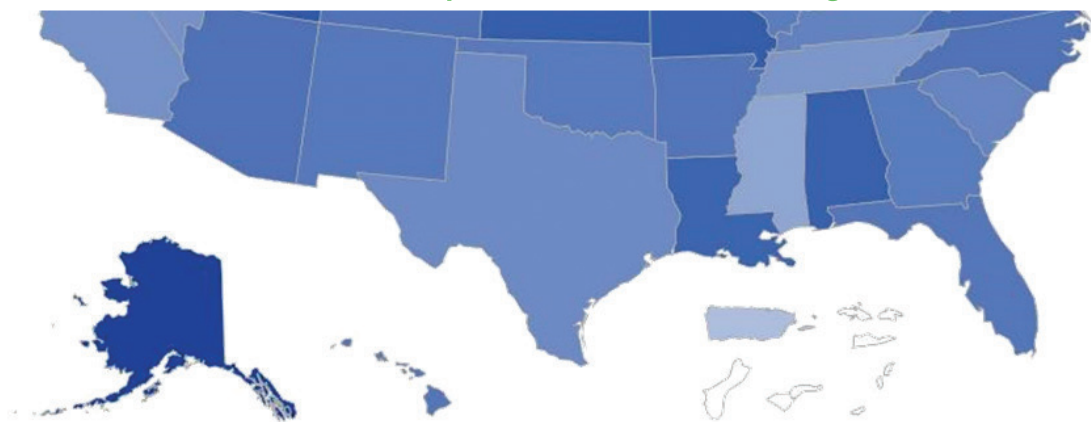
- Number of New Yorkers on organ donation waiting list: nearly 8,000.
- Number of New Yorkers who have been on the waiting list for 5 or more years: 1,000.
- Number of New Yorkers who died waiting for a transplant in 2023: nearly 400.
- Registry Participation Rate: 49% of the eligible population in New York, compared to the national average of 64%.
- New York State has the 3rd highest need for donors but the 3rd lowest donor enrollment rate in the U.S.



Chemung County Clerk Linda Forest, Steuben County Clerk Judy Hunter, Yates County Clerk, Molly Lineham, Assemblyman Palmesano and Schuyler County Clerk Theresa Philbin speak at a press conference to promote Donate Life.



Just 49% of New Yorkers are enrolled as organ, eye, and tissue donors, compared to the national average of 64%.



*We can, and we must, do better!*

# 9 Easy Ways to Register

- 1 New York State Donate Life Registry website at [donatelife.ny.gov](http://donatelife.ny.gov)
- 2 NYS Department of Motor Vehicles: while applying for a junior driver license, license, non-driver identification card, or a renewal of any of these documents
- 3 New York State Department of Motor Vehicles website at [my.dmv.ny.gov/mydmv](http://my.dmv.ny.gov/mydmv)
- 4 New York State of Health: applying for health insurance
- 5 Voter Registration: registering to vote
- 6 Department of Environmental Conservation: applying for a fishing, hunting, or trapping license
- 7 Department of State: applying for certain professional licenses
- 8 New York City Municipal Identification Card: applying for or renewing ID card
- 9 A printable enrollment form is available at: [donatelife.ny.gov/download-forms/](http://donatelife.ny.gov/download-forms/)



Assemblyman Palmesano and the winner of the Donate Life art contest Ava Wallia from Syosset, pose with her winning entry.

## 7 Easy Ways To Promote Organ & Tissue Donation In New York State



**JOIN IT:** If YOU have not already enrolled as an organ and tissue donor, register today at [www.donatelife.ny.gov/register](http://www.donatelife.ny.gov/register).

**HOST IT:** Host a donor registration drive. Donate Life New York State is here to help! Email [info@dlnys.org](mailto:info@dlnys.org).

**LINK IT:** Add a link to [www.donatelife.ny.gov/register](http://www.donatelife.ny.gov/register) on your website.

**SHOUT IT:** Follow Donate Life NYS on social media and share organ and tissue donation content with your own followers: [facebook.com/donatelifenys](https://facebook.com/donatelifenys), [x.com/donatelifenys](https://x.com/donatelifenys), [youtube.com/donatelifenys](https://youtube.com/donatelifenys), [instagram.com/donatelifenys](https://instagram.com/donatelifenys).

**SHARE IT:** Display the link to the NYS Donate Life Registry ([www.donatelife.ny.gov/register](http://www.donatelife.ny.gov/register)) on your social media accounts. Ask your friends to share it, too.

**DISPLAY IT:** Display registry enrollment brochures and posters at your place of employment. These can be obtained by emailing [info@dlnys.org](mailto:info@dlnys.org).

**ENCOURAGE IT:** Send a personal email to friends and family containing the link to the NYS Donate Life Registry ([www.donatelife.ny.gov/register](http://www.donatelife.ny.gov/register)).

For more information about organ and tissue donation or any other legislative matter, please contact my district office at (607) 776-9691.





**American Red Cross**

**The American Red Cross has an emergency blood shortage. They need your help!**

# Upcoming Blood Drives In Your Community:

## Chemung County

**September 21 9:30 a.m.-2:00 p.m.**  
Arnot Mall  
3300 Chambers Rd., Horseheads

**September 25 12:30 p.m.-5:30 p.m.**  
American Legion Post 442  
71 Old Ithica Rd., Horseheads

**October 15 1:00 p.m.- 6:00 p.m.**  
American Legion  
45 Olcott Rd., Big Flats

**October 22 3:00 p.m.- 7:00 p.m.**  
First Baptist Church  
2293 Grand Central Ave., Horseheads

## Schuyler County

**September 13 10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.**  
Watkins Glen Community Center  
155 S. Clute Park Dr., Watkins Glen

**September 30 1:00 p.m.- 6:00 p.m.**  
Tyrone Fire Department  
3600 State Rte. 226, Tyrone

**October 12 10:00 a.m.- 3:00 p.m.**  
KOA Watkins Glen  
1710 NY-414, Watkins Glen

**October 16 11:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.**  
Montour Moose Lodge  
2096 State Rte. 14, Montour Falls

**November 5 9:30 a.m.- 2:30 p.m.**  
Schuyler County Human Services  
323 Owego St., Montour Falls

## Seneca County

**August 31 9:00 a.m.- 2:00 p.m.**  
Sampson State Park  
6096 State Rte. 96A, Romulus

**September 3 1:00 p.m.- 6 p.m.**  
VFW Post 6433  
29 W. Elisha St., Waterloo

**October 10 2:00 p.m.- 7:00 p.m.**  
Ovid Fire Department  
2136 Brown Rd., Ovid

**October 30 9:00 a.m.- 2:00 p.m.**  
South Seneca High School  
7236 Main St., Ovid

## Steuben County

**September 10 11:30 a.m.- 4:30 p.m.**  
Dormann Library  
101 W. Morris St., Bath

**September 19 11:30 a.m.- 4:30 p.m.**  
Victory Highway Wesleyan Church  
150 Victory Hwy., Painted Post

**September 19 11:45 a.m.- 5:45 p.m.**  
Hammondsport Fire Department  
8521 State Rte. 54, Hammondsport

**September 30 1:00 p.m.- 6:00 p.m.**  
VFW Post 2250  
245 Canisteo St., Hornell

**October 2 1:00 p.m.- 6:00 p.m.**  
American Legion Post 1248  
1 Carter St., Arkport

**October 8 9:30 a.m.- 2:30 p.m.**  
Corning Family YMCA  
127 Center Way, Corning

**October 26 8:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.**  
Addison Community Center  
13 Community Dr., Addison

**October 29 10:00 a.m.-3:00p.m.**  
Avoca Central School  
17-29 Oliver St., Avoca

## Yates County

**September 4 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.**  
Yates County Office Building  
417 Liberty St., Penn Yan

**September 12 1:30 p.m.-6:30 p.m.**  
Branchport Fire Department  
3686 State Rte. 54A, Branchport

**September 17 2:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m.**  
United Methodist Church  
26 N. Main St., Rushville

**September 18 1:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m.**  
Benton Fire Department  
932 Rt. 14A, Penn Yan

**October 1 12:30 p.m.-5:30 p.m.**  
American Legion Post 660  
10 Spring St., Dundee



**Please call the number below to confirm the Blood Drives in your area have not changed dates, times or locations.**

**Download the Blood Donor App | RedCrossBlood.org | 1-800-RED Cross (733-2767)**