

Donation Starts with a Conversation



Starting the Conversation

Here are a few ways to start the conversation about end-of-life:

- “I saw _____ on a bus stop the other day and went to the website connected to it, TALK DONATION, I think that we should have a conversation with our family about organ donation...”
- “Did you know that as of today, there are _____ American Indian people in Minnesota who are waiting for a transplant? Do you know anyone who may need that kind of help?”
- “I want to show you this amazing video I just watched. _____ was talking about how he feels about being an organ donor... I never even thought of that before...”
- “I just saw _____ on a poster at the Indian Center, I think our family needs to know more about organ donation.”
- “Before you get your drivers license, I want to talk with you about the “organ donor” box. It is important to know what that means for you, for us (as your family), and for our community...”



Discussing Donation

Check out some ideas on how to bring up the topic of organ, eye and tissue donation:

- Mention a recent news story about donation – check out our Facebook page for ideas. <https://www.facebook.com/TalkDonation/>
- Share a story about donation or end of life and use that to kick off the conversation.
- Talk about someone you know who is waiting for a transplant or whose loved one was a donor.
- If you are registered as a donor on your license or ID, take it out and admire your photo – then share that it says DONOR on the front.

