

# Circle for Life®

## 2016 Fiesta San Antonio Flambeau Parade Circle for Life Vanguard Entry Walker Application



The Circle for Life is proudly accepting nominations to honor 10 donors with memorial representation and 5 organ, tissue or cornea recipients in the 2016 Fiesta Flambeau Parade Circle for Life Vanguard Entry in commemoration of Donate Life Month. Through an open application process, the Circle for Life Parade committee is pleased to offer the many donor families served through local organ, tissue and cornea donation organizations an opportunity to formally nominate your loved one to be represented in the Circle for Life parade Vanguard entry on Saturday, April 23, 2016 at 6:30 PM. This is Fiesta San Antonio's night parade and boasts an estimated 750,000 viewers. The 2016 theme is "Long Live Texas."

### About Circle for Life

The Circle for Life has a goal of bringing together motorcycling enthusiasts to ride as a group to foster awareness and encourage registration as organ, eye, and tissue donors on the Donate Life Texas registry. The Circle for Life mission is to raise awareness on the importance of donor registration. Circle for Life is an official Fiesta San Antonio event with the goal of celebrating life through donation advocacy. Circle for Life, since its initial inception in 2010, has collaborated with University Transplant Center to educate motorcycle riders and the general public on donor registration. Circle for Life continues to collaborate with other Donate Life Texas partners in bringing awareness to donation amongst motorcycle enthusiasts.

### Application and Selection Process for Donors

The application form and a photo of the donor must be filled out by the donor's nearest relative/legal representative and received by Circle for Life in care of Shanna Puente at University Transplant Center **by Friday, March 25, 2016**. The application and photo may be emailed to [shanna.puente@uhs-sa.com](mailto:shanna.puente@uhs-sa.com). The Circle for Life Parade committee will review entries and select the donors to be honored and will be notified no later than April 1, 2016. Two members of the Donor's Family will be accepted to walk in the Circle for Life Fiesta Flambeau Parade Vanguard entry on Saturday, April 23, 2016. Further parade details will be provided upon selection. The selection will be based on a variety of criteria. The selected family members should be at least one year post-donation at the time of application, should have some knowledge about donation in the event media opportunities arise to speak on donation and should have some knowledge on the outcome status of their loved one's donated gifts. Every donor's story is special and unique so the parade committee will select the most compelling stories to highlight and honor during 2016 Circle for Life festivities. Circle for Life Parade committee will ensure that the ten honored donors represent a diversity of ages, ethnicities, donation stories, and organs and tissues donated.

## Application and Selection Process for Recipients

The application form and a photo of the organ, tissue or cornea recipient must be filled out and received by Circle for Life in care of Shanna Puente at University Transplant Center **by Friday, March 25, 2016**. The application and photo may be emailed to [shanna.puente@uhs-sa.com](mailto:shanna.puente@uhs-sa.com). The Circle for Life Parade committee will review entries and select the recipient chosen to be celebrated and will be notified no later than April 1, 2016. The recipient will be accepted to walk in the Circle for Life Fiesta Flambeau Parade Vanguard entry on Saturday, April 23, 2016. Further parade details will be provided upon selection. The selection will be based on a variety of criteria. The selected recipient should be healthy enough post-transplant at the time of application, should have some knowledge about donation and transplantation in the event media opportunities arise to speak on donation and transplantation and should have some general demographic knowledge on their donor. Every transplant story is special, miraculous and unique so the parade committee will select the most compelling stories to highlight and celebrate during 2016 Circle for Life festivities. Circle for Life Parade committee will ensure that the five celebrated recipients represent a diversity of ages, ethnicities, transplant stories, and organs and tissues transplanted.

## Expectations

The opportunity for your loved one to be honored with memorial representation and for a recipient's transplant story to be celebrated comes with some expectations. Donor families and recipients are participants in the largest illuminated parade and one of the most-celebrated Fiesta events. In this roll-out of donor family and recipient selection nomination process, we hope to start a tradition that brings donor registration awareness as well as transplant celebration and donor tribute and memorialization to Fiesta, an annual San Antonio event that celebrates life, tradition and goodwill in our city. We expect donor families and transplant recipients may be the subject of media stories in the weeks leading up to the parade. Thus, all donor families and recipients are expected to be available for media interviews as opportunities arise. In addition, donor family walkers and recipient walkers are expected to attend Circle for Life festivities. Please note that transportation and local lodging (optional) will be the responsibility of the donor family and recipient. Further parade details will be provided upon selection. **Participating in the Fiesta Flambeau Parade vanguard is physically demanding. All walkers must be in good physical condition and be at least 15 years of age and able to handle a high level of physical activity. If walking the parade route, one must be in physical condition to do so. One will be walking up to distances of 3.5 miles. Anyone under 18 must be accompanied by an adult.**

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**Application for Donor**



Please complete and return this form to us by Friday, March 25, 2016.

Donor's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Hometown/ High School \_\_\_\_\_

Donor Age (at time of donation) \_\_\_\_\_ Sex \_\_\_\_\_ Race/Ethnicity \_\_\_\_\_

Donation Date \_\_\_\_\_ Donation Hospital \_\_\_\_\_

Donor of:  Organs  Tissues  Eyes/Corneas  Research or Education  Consented but not recovered

Name of Person(s) who Authorized Donation \_\_\_\_\_

Primary Family Contact \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship to Donor \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Preferred Phone \_\_\_\_\_  Home  Business  Cell Phone

Preferred E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

I have read and understand the nomination guidelines and the expectations.

Please include a short story of about 1 – 2 pages with the following information:

1. Describe your experience as a donor family. Was your loved one a registered donor or did you make the decision on behalf of your loved one?
2. Describe any compelling highlights of your loved one's life and legacy. How does your loved one stand out? What makes your loved one special? We would love to help celebrate and honor your loved one's legacy.
3. What gifts of donation did your love one gift to someone else?
4. Have you met any recipients?

In addition, please provide us a photo of your loved one. This photo will be used in Circle for Life media releases, social media and on parade day. The photo should be emailed in JPEG format with a high resolution.

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**Application for Transplant Recipient**



To apply, you must be the recipient of either an organ, eye, and tissue transplant.

Please complete and return this form to us by Friday, March 25, 2016.

Recipient's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Hometown/ High School \_\_\_\_\_

Age \_\_\_\_\_ Sex \_\_\_\_\_ Race/Ethnicity \_\_\_\_\_

Transplant Date and Age at time of Transplant \_\_\_\_\_ Transplant Hospital or Center \_\_\_\_\_

Recipient of:  Organ(s): \_\_\_\_\_  Tissue(s): \_\_\_\_\_  Cornea(s)

Street Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Preferred Phone \_\_\_\_\_  Home  Business  Cell Phone

Preferred E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

I have read and understand the nomination guidelines and the expectations.

Please include a short story of about 1 – 2 pages with the following information:

-Describe your experience as a transplant recipient. How has donation/transplant impacted your life?

-Describe any compelling highlights of your experience. We would love to help celebrate the gift of donation/transplant that you received.

-What gifts of donation did you receive and have you met your donor? If not, what have you learned about your donor.

In addition, please provide us a photo. This photo will be used in Circle for Life media releases, social media and on parade day. The photo should be emailed in JPEG format with a high resolution.

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