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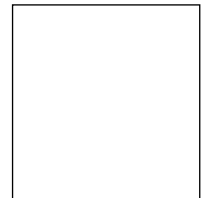
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# WELCOME

The National Kidney Foundation (NKF) presents its ninth biennial Olympic-style U.S. Transplant Games, showcasing the success of life-saving organ transplantation.

NKF is the world's largest organization dedicated to promoting organ and tissue donation. It provides education and offers programs for transplant recipients, donor families, living donors and the professionals who care for them.

# to the 2006 U.S. TRANSPLANT GAMES

## *The Big Event!*

Be a part of the largest gathering of transplant recipients and donor families in the world. The National Kidney Foundation (NKF), along with its 47 Affiliates, is preparing a celebration that will include over 7,000 athletes, their friends and families, living donors, donor families, transplant professionals and spectators from the Kentuckiana community. Since 1990, the NKF has organized the U.S. Transplant Games and worked on the World Summer and Winter Transplant Games. These events demonstrate the tremendous success of transplantation and the thousands of selfless acts of love from donors all over the world. Most importantly, they serve to encourage more organ donation, which can give the "gift of life" to many of the 90,000 people in the U.S. who are in need of a life-saving organ transplant.

## *Join a Team Today!*

Each participant in the Games is a member of an official U.S. Transplant Games team representing his or her state or region. Success of the Games and the impact on each team's local community through fundraising and media efforts depends on strong athlete involvement and support of their local team. Get involved! Donate your time, talent, or treasure. Call your local National Kidney Foundation Affiliate or the NKF National Organization at **800-622-9010**.





## ***Transplant Recipients—Living Life***

At the U.S. Transplant Games, there are many events and activities designed for you to meet other transplant recipients from around the country, share your transplant story, honor your donor, improve your health and fitness and support the thousands of other patients who are still waiting for their second chance at life.

Transplant recipients whose (most recent) life-saving solid organ transplant (including allogenic bone marrow/stem cell) has been functioning for at least six months are also eligible to compete in the following sports: badminton, basketball, bowling, cycling, golf, racquetball, 5K road race, swimming, table tennis, tennis, track and field, and volleyball. Medals will be awarded to the top finishers in each of seven age categories to balance the competition.

## ***We Are Going to Louisville!***

As the 16th largest city in the U.S., Louisville is home to over 90 attractions and 2,500 restaurants. Family-friendly attractions include *Churchill Downs*, *the Kentucky Derby Museum*, *Six Flags Kentucky Kingdom*, *the Belle of Louisville Riverboat at Waterfront Park*, *the Louisville Slugger Museum* & the new *Muhammad Ali Center*.

Whether you are planning to attend the Games in Louisville as an athlete or supporter, you can be sure to find Thoroughbred horse racing, bluegrass music, the Hot Brown, Derby Pie, and more in the Bluegrass State!



## ***Living Donors—Sharing Life***

At our third Living Donor Recognition Event, living donors of all organs will be honored and celebrated for their special gifts of life. The event will feature tributes, music, a pin exchange and special surprises. The Games will also feature Sharing Sessions for Living Donors, a 5K Race for Donation, and the Donor-Recipient Golf Outing.

## ***Donor Families—Giving New Life***

Donor families are invited to participate in Giving, Grieving, Growing™ workshops on organ and tissue donation, which include sharing sessions for grieving families, an art therapy session to honor your loved one and more. The Donor Recognition Ceremony will give you an opportunity to honor your loved one for their life and gifts, and you can meet and share with organ recipients of all ages at the Coffeehouse. Donor families who haven't submitted a quilt square in their loved one's name can bring it to our Quilt Pinning Ceremony.

## ***Support the Games***

Athletes compete in the U.S. Transplant Games because they have received a new start through a life-saving organ transplant. But more than 90,000 men, women and children are still waiting for their second chance at life. When you support the 2006 U.S. Transplant Games, you support the ongoing national campaign to find more donors and save more lives, while honoring those who have given the Gift of Life. You can support

- the Games by ▶ **Becoming an Organ Donor**  
▶ **Attending the Games in Louisville** ▶ **Volunteering**  
▶ **Advertising** ▶ **Exhibiting** ▶ **Making a Donation**  
▶ **Becoming a Sponsor**

2006 U.S. Transplant Games

# FACTS

The Games will be covered by a **host of media** which will highlight the quality of life attained by organ transplantation and to raise awareness of the need for donation.



**JUNE**  
16-21, 2006



Our athletes range from **18 months** to **80 years** in age!

Opening Ceremonies will be held in **Freedom Hall**.



Our participating athletes vary from **couch potato** to avid competitor.

Youngsters play games, sports and activities at **"Kid's Time."**

Share your experiences, poems and stories at the **"Coffee House."**



Our **5K Race for Donation** is a run/walk event for recipients, family members, friends, donor families, living donors and the local community.

The Games includes 41 events in **12 sporting categories**.

**The Galt House Hotel** sits downtown, over-looking the Ohio River.

Loosen up after your event at the Social Lounge—**Games After Dark**, offering refreshments and nightly entertainment.



The Gift of Life

# ORGAN DONATION



Many people who need organ and tissue transplants to live cannot get them because of a shortage of donations.

Every month, more than 2,000 new names are added to the national waiting list for organ transplants. Your support or participation in the 2006 U.S. Transplant Games will work to help save the lives of the 17 people who die every day while waiting for a vital organ transplant. To obtain more information or to get your NKF U.S. Transplant Games/Donate Life bracelet, please contact your local National Kidney Foundation Affiliate or visit our Web site at [www.transplantgames.org](http://www.transplantgames.org) When you wear your bracelet, you...

## ADVOCATE

for organ donation & transplantation awareness.

## HONOR

donors who have given the ultimate gift.

## SUPPORT

U.S. Transplant Games teams across the country.

## GIVE HOPE

to more than 90,000 people currently waiting for life-saving organ transplants