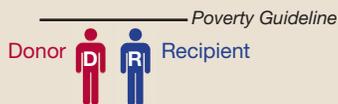


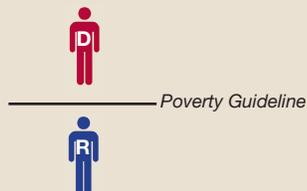
Preference Categories

Applications are evaluated and given a Preference Category based on recipient and donor household income.

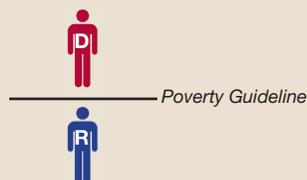
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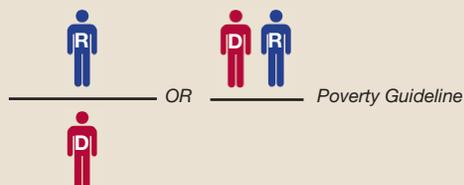
Category 2. Donor income is above and Recipient income below the 300% FPG. Donor needs to demonstrate Financial Hardship.



Category 3. Donor income is above and Recipient income is below the 300% FPG. Donor **does not** need to demonstrate Financial Hardship.



Category 4. Recipient income is above and Donor income may be above or below the 300% FPG. **Recipient must demonstrate Financial Hardship**



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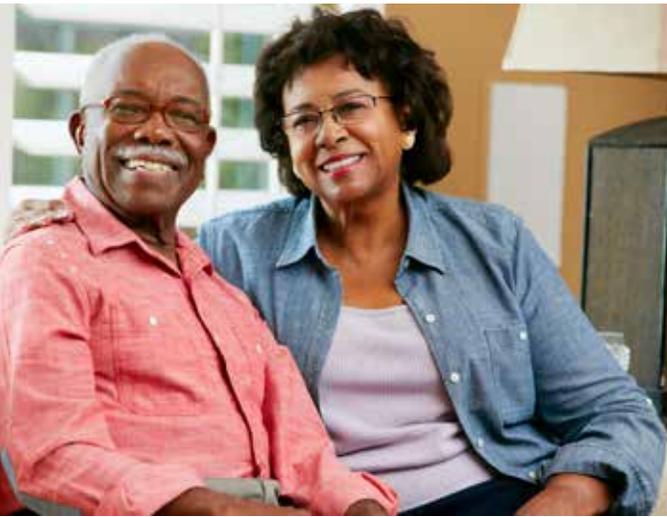
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Living Organ Donors

How To Apply for Travel Assistance





National Living Donor Assistance Center (NLDAC) provides financial assistance to eligible living donors for their travel expenses to the transplant center for their evaluation, surgery, and medically necessary follow-up trips. Approved donors receive a special American Express controlled value card to pay for transportation, food, and lodging up to a total of \$6,000. NLDAC will also pay for up to two trips for the donor's support person(s). The "donor" herein denotes the individual who intends to donate an organ (kidney or liver.) to another individual with end stage organ failure (herein denoted as the "recipient").

Who can receive assistance?

The donor and recipient must be U.S. citizens or lawfully admitted residents and have their primary residence in the U.S. or its territories. Also, the recipient must meet certain income requirements. If the recipient has the ability to pay for their donor's travel or the recipient's insurance company pays the donor's travel expenses, NLDAC cannot provide assistance. All travel expenses must be related to the donor's medical condition. NLDAC does not provide assistance for recipient travel.

300% HHS Federal Poverty Guidelines 2015			
# Person Household	48 Contiguous States and DC	Alaska	Hawaii
1	\$35,310	\$44,160	\$40,650
2	\$47,790	\$59,760	\$54,990
3	\$60,270	\$75,360	\$69,330
4	\$72,750	\$90,960	\$83,670
5	\$85,230	\$106,560	\$98,010
6	\$97,710	\$122,160	\$112,350
7	\$110,190	\$137,760	\$126,690
8	\$122,670	\$153,360	\$141,030
Each addl person, add	\$12,480	\$15,600	\$14,340

Guidelines are adjusted yearly. Please see NLDAC website for updates.

Who is eligible?

Eligibility is based on the recipient household yearly income which should be no greater than 300% of the federal poverty guidelines (FPG). If the recipient household has an income greater than 300% of the FPG, it is assumed they will assist their donor with travel expenses to the transplant center. If the recipient household income is above 300% of FPG but will have difficulty assisting the donor, an approval on the basis of financial hardship may be requested. For those participating in donor chains or paired kidney donation, the intended but incompatible recipient should be listed on the application.

How is the yearly household income measured?

Household yearly income is measured using the adjusted gross income from a Federal income tax return or the gross income from a pay stub. Combine income from paystubs if other family members are working and multiply by months or weeks to determine yearly income. Other income documents may also be considered. Contact NLDAC for more information.

How is the household number determined?

The number of people claimed on the Federal income tax return is the household number. A person aged 22 or older residing with family members but living independently may be considered a single household.

Who has preference?

Applications submitted to NLDAC are given preference categories based on household incomes of the recipient and the donor. See the Preference Category chart on the back of this brochure.

How do I apply?

The recipient and donor must:

1. Complete and sign a NLDAC application worksheet and attestation form.
2. Gather pay stubs or tax return or other documents to verify household income.
3. Give these documents to the transplant professional at the transplant center who will file the application on behalf of the donor.

Where can I get the application worksheets?

They are available on the NLDAC website www.livingdonorassistance.org. You may also call NLDAC at 888-870-5002 or ask your transplant professional to send you the worksheets.

When should an application be submitted?

We recommend submitting an application at least 6-8 weeks before the surgery or travel but no later than 10-15 business days before travel/surgery.

If I already had my donor surgery, will NLDAC pay my expenses?

Applications must be approved and funded before the donor surgery. NLDAC cannot assist with expenses incurred prior to application approval.

If I do not qualify for NLDAC, can the recipient provide assistance?

Yes, the recipient can provide financial assistance to the donor. The National Organ Transplant Act (NOTA) allows for reasonable payments associated with the expenses of travel, housing, and lost wages incurred by the donor of a human organ. However, NOTA does prohibit the buying and selling of organs.