HONORING A PARTNER

My role as an organ, eye and tissue donation liaison at my hospital system is an opportunity for me to share my passion, and I work to continue a solid donation culture. Our grant program allows Spartanburg Health Systems to sponsor events, so in April, we focus on organ, eye, and tissue donation at all our facilities. Over the last 2 years, we've had a virtual Donor Ceremony viewed live on all social media platforms. This year, post the COVID surge, we had a beautiful in-person event to recognize the donors, the recipients, and their families. (Con't pg 2)

DONOR STORY: Russell Beasely

Saturday, May 7, marked exactly five years since a remarkable young man passed away. Russell Beasely battled a rare genetic illness until his death at just 20 years of age. However, his kindness, selflessness, and desire to help others continues to make an immeasurable difference in people’s lives every day.

For those who knew him, the memories of an outgoing, good, generous and kind person are still very much alive. “He never met a stranger — even as a little boy,” says his mother, Sherri Dalton. “He was funny and liked joking around. He was quick witted and even a little mischievous. But he cared about everyone.” For more of Russell’s story, click here.
HONORING A PARTNER: Shonna Bible

(Cont) I am a Clinical Donation Liaison for Spartanburg Regional Healthcare System. I started my career as a critical care nurse. For many years I've shared a passion for organ, eye, and tissue donation — improving patients' lives and educating the community.

It is not only seeing the miraculous saving of a recipient's life, but it is the hope and legacy of the donor for the family. How can you not admire that generous and selfless gift?

This year we were also able, through the grant, to place an elevator wrap at 2 of our facilities. These are prominent areas to bring attention to the need for organ, eye, and tissue donation. In addition, we participate in other activities, such as flying the Donate Life flag, honor walks, hospital, and community educational events, celebrating blue/green day, and finding innovative ways to promote donation awareness.

We have an event during the Christmas season where we decorate a Memorial Tree in blue and green for donation, and the tree is on display from April through December in the Main campus lobby. The purpose of these ceremonies is to provide an opportunity for a donor's story to be told.

The Wall of Hope is a permanent display with photos and stories of donors and recipients. We proudly created this wall to allow families to share their stories. The Wall of Hope represents our community, families, and loved ones. Pictures and stories are changed periodically.

Every ceremony, educational event, and Wall of Hope can/will keep every memory at the forefront.

HIGHLIGHTS: Donate Life Month

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**MIRACLES IN SIGHT FLAGS**

COMING SOON  Celebrate National Eye Donation Month in November by flying a Miracles In Sight flag, and have the option to honor your eye donors by flying the flag on the day that they give the gift of sight. Contact your Professional Development Specialist for more information on ordering your flag.

**NAMING CONTEST WINNER**

CONGRATULATIONS to Lorie Odom from Vidant Health on the winning selection for Name Our Newsletter! Lorie will receive a $50 gift card and our thanks for such an InSightful name!

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

Contact your Professional Development Specialist to schedule an event at your facility!

| **2022 Donate Life Transplant Games** | **National Minority Donor Awareness Month** | **National DMV Appreciation Month** |
| Jul 29 - Aug 3 | August | September |