

Nick Needs a Kidney

Dear Friends - This is Nick. My mom passed away due to kidney failure, and I am suffering from the same disease. Over time, my kidney disease has gotten worse, causing my kidneys not to work well enough to keep me alive. This is what I am facing now, and my treatment options are limited to dialysis treatments or a kidney transplant.

Getting regular dialysis treatments, usually three times a week for four hours at a time, will help my kidneys do their job and keep me alive, but a transplant would offer me more freedom and the ability to live a longer, healthier, more normal life. A transplant would also give me more time to do the fun things I enjoy most, like spending time with my family and friends. However, finding a kidney for a transplant is not easy. Just ask the 100,000+ people on the waiting list for a deceased donor kidney like me. Time is not on our side. Some wait for years; many die while waiting.

Asking a family member, neighbors, or a friend to consider donating a kidney to me is difficult, but it greatly improves my chances of getting a transplant. A living kidney donation typically lasts longer and has better function. I want to complete my master's degree and give back to my community by contributing the same support and opportunities that have helped me reach this point.

Thank you for taking the time to read my story. If donating a kidney to me is something you would like to consider, I would be happy to tell you more about my story and explore the process of determining if you are a match for me. You can also contact my transplant center directly at [kidneysolutions.org](https://www.kidneysolutions.org)

If you would like to learn more about becoming a donor for Nick, please contact **Kidney Solutions** at info@kidneysolutions.org.



Kidney Donor Facts

- Anyone in good health and over the age of 18 can donate
- The patient's insurance will cover the cost of testing and surgery
- Donors can resume normal activity in a matter of weeks.
- You can live a healthy, long life with just one kidney
- Living-donor kidney transplants last, on average, twice as long as kidneys from deceased donors
- Please consider being a kidney donor!
- Visit our Living Donation page: [KidneySolutions.org/LD](https://www.KidneySolutions.org/LD)

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