



DISTRICT A-4 M.O.R.E.

1. What is M.O.R.E.?

M.O.R.E. stands for Multiple Organ Retrieval Exchange

2. What hospital does it operate from?

The Ottawa Hospital – Organ and Tissue Donations Program Riverside Campus.

3. What type of Organ Transplants are we talking about?

Renal Program...mainly kidney related transplants.

4. How are our donations used?

Donations are used to assist individuals or their families who have received or donated an organ.

5. Who receives funds from M.O.R.E.?

Individuals that could use some financial assistance.

6. Who decides how much and who is to receive the funds?

A social worker, Diane Boisjoli, (MSW,RSW) at the Ottawa Hospital – Organ and Tissue Donations Program works with the patients on a daily basis and knows their needs.

7. What do these patients use these funds for?

- There was a special request for a donor who had come from China. She had no travel insurance and she fell and badly broke her wrist. The family incurred a considerable amount of expense. The Lions Club came through with \$650.00.**

- Another donor had some post surgical problems which caused him to end up with a hospital room bill. He was only partially covered for private coverage. Because his prolonged stay was due to complications of the donation surgery, we decided to cover the bill which came to \$200.00.
- A transplant patient who has recently developed complications from having done peritoneal dialysis prior to being transplanted. This condition caused her to lose a lot of weight and she cannot sleep on her regular mattress. They did a combined request to meet this lady's needs. They took \$150.00 from the Lions Club Fund, the Kidney Foundation donated \$100.00 and a community center in her area will try and raise the other \$150.00 from local area groups.
- A transplant patient needed to renew a special medication being used to fight off a virus which attacks the transplanted kidney. The coordinator was not vigilant enough to renew the special request form with the Exceptional Access Branch of the Ontario Drug Benefits Program. As a result the patient would have had to pay out of pocket. They decided to cover one week of the medication. The cost for the medication came to \$149.55.
- A patient to whom they had lent \$300.00 so he could return to his island home to bury his mother has completely reimbursed the amount he received.

8. How do we make a donation to M.O.R.E.?

All donations should be made to District A-4 Lions Clubs and sent to the Cabinet Treasurer, Lion Ted Hughes, 196 King St. East, Brockville, Ontario, K6V 1O4. Remember to mark M.O.R.E. in the remark/subject area of the cheque.

Thank you for your support,

Lion Ashlea (Sis) Grosset-Etherington
District A-4 M.O.R.E. Chair