Tissue Donation Reimbursement Policy

On behalf of LifeSource, donor families, and the recipients who will benefit from the gift of donation, thank you for your important role in the donation process.

Donor families have been advised that they are not responsible for additional charges related to the gift of donation. LifeSource recognizes that tissue donation creates the need for extra time and supplies during the embalming process and has established a policy to compensate embalmers for additional time and materials. We kindly request that any additional charges related to the embalming of a donor be billed to LifeSource and not the family. LifeSource will generally reimburse:

- Organ donors without autopsy: $100
- Heart valve only donors without autopsy: $100
  *(No reimbursement when autopsy follows heart valve or organ donation)*
- Tissue donors including bone, tendons, fascia, vessels and pericardium: $200
- Surgical skin donors: $100

To be reimbursed for your services, please submit:

- A completed copy of the Embalming and Transportation Reimbursement Claim Form
- A completed form W-9, Request for Taxpayer Identification Number and Certification. Once this form is on file with us, it will not be necessary to submit with future invoices unless the information changes.
- A completed embalming report

If your GPL itemizes charges for embalming of a donor in excess of the standard reimbursement rate, please submit a copy of your GPL with your reimbursement claim. If you consider your time and added expense a charitable donation and would like a letter from LifeSource to support your contribution, please contact us.

Please send invoices, the completed W-9 and embalming report to us by fax, e-mail or mail.

Questions about payment status?
Please contact Marsha Meunier in Accounts Payable at (651) 603-7867 or mmeunier@life-source.org.

Questions related to the donation process?
Please contact Mike Burakowski (mburakowski@life-source.org) or Melinda DeVries (mdevries@life-source.org) at 1-888-5DONATE.