

The 7th Donor Heroes Night 18th May 2026

Why is this Event so important to Donor Families?

The event enables Donor Families an opportunity to publicly acknowledge their Donor Hero. For too long organ and tissue donors have remained the silent few that have given of themselves to help or save those in greatest need.

To be able for a Donor Family the opportunity to reflect, commemorate and celebrate their loved one's choice to give the greatest gift of all. That being a part of them able to create a better or second chance in life has such a personal and emotional impact on the family.

All organ and tissue donors are true Heroes to their family, their recipients and their family/friends and finally those on the transplant waiting list.

Graham Harrison of Donor Families Australia has been asked, how could he make such a decision having just lost his 10year old son? His response was straightforward and simple *"How could my wife and I not donate our son's organ & tissue at a time when they were going through such pain and loss. They had such great power to save the lives of others and prevent other families going through the same emotional pain as they were experiencing."* For Graham and Elayne, their decision was something they had to do. It is also why Donor Heroes is so important to them.



While Donor Heroes Night revolves around celebrating our Donor Heroes, the aim is to also raise the importance that the Donor Family plays in fulfilling their loved ones wishes. Many Donor Families are now seeking a more prominent role ensuring stronger support for future Donor Families and the promotion off raising organ & tissue donation awareness.

Further information on World Donor Heroes Night and the benefits of organ and tissue donation can be found at: <https://www.donorfamiliesaustralia.org/donor-heroes-night>

Associated hashtags: #DonorHeroesNight #DonorHeroes #DonorFamilies #leavealighton #forevergrateful

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BOILERPLATE: Donor Families Australia is a national member-based independent support and advocacy group comprising families who have donated their loved ones' organs and tissue. It's the only organisation of its kind in Australia specifically dedicated to Donor Families. <https://www.donorfamiliesaustralia.org/>