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Council challenges Vernon citizens to register for organ donation

April 22 to 29 is National Organ and Tissue Donation Awareness Week and Vernon City Council has issued a challenge to register 1,000 citizens to BC's Organ Donor Registry this week. You can help reach the goal by registering your wishes today.

"Becoming an organ and tissue donor is a selfless act and you could be offering the gift of life to someone," said Vernon Mayor Akbal Mund. "I registered in under five minutes. It's easy and it makes you feel like you have already made a difference in someone's life by signing up."

To register your wishes, have your BC Personal Health Number (PHN) ready and visit <https://register.transplant.bc.ca>. You can also visit www.vernon.ca and follow the link.

You may have already registered your decision for organ donation, so it's good to double-check. You can verify your registration online at <https://register.transplant.bc.ca/verification>.

Once you've registered your decision, have a conversation with your family. As much as it's important to officially register your decision, it's also important to have a conversation with your loved ones about organ donation and your wishes.

BC's Organ Donor Registry is the official registry of your wishes regarding organ donation.

Not online? You can register by calling 1-800-663-6189.

And remember: 1 organ donor can save up to 8 lives.