

Tissue donation can improve up to 75 lives

How is tissue used?

Ribs and costal cartilage

Facial reconstruction (jaw, nose, ears) often related to trauma

Other bone

Creates pins and screws to promote healing and eliminate the need to remove hardware; also used for spinal fusion spacers, joint replacement and bone regeneration

Long bones

Limb salvage in cases of bone cancer (to avoid amputation) and repair of traumatic injuries

Tendons

Arthroscopic tendon and ligament repairs, especially in sports injuries

Eyes/corneas

Restoration of sight

Heart valves

Repairs congenital and acquired heart valve defects

Skin

For burn victims; breast reconstruction after mastectomy; abdominal wall repair after hernia surgery; bladder and uterine suspension surgery

Veins

For bypass surgery and kidney dialysis shunts

Nerves

Can protect a recipient's damaged nerve during healing, repair severed nerves and gap (connect) injured nerves

Benefits of tissue transplants (grafts)

- Pliability and flexibility of grafts
- Faster healing times
- Cardiovascular tissue doesn't require anticoagulation therapy and is resistant to infection



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