

# MISSION

*Windows of Strength, Limited is a 501 (c) 3 nonprofit organization dedicated to providing assistance with non-medical costs not covered through insurance, government programs or other funding to organ transplant recipients and their caregivers.*



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# Journey of an Organ Transplant Recipient

A transplant recipient faces a journey throughout the transplant process. This journey is composed of endurance and strength, highs, lows, sadness, happiness, life reflection and future hope.

Organ donation is life giving gift provided by another individual's love and caring wish. Through this unconditional gift, an organ and tissue recipient has found a "window of strength".

The journey doesn't end once a recipient has received their organ and are released from the hospital. They are still under post surgery care and must continue with doctor appointments, rehabilitation and testing. Many times requiring the recipient and their caregiver to stay within the vicinity of the transplant clinic.

During the transplant process recipients and their caregivers are faced with many "non-medical costs" that are paid out of their own pocket. The majority of these costs are not covered by insurance, government programs and other funding. These non-medical costs add up quickly.

Windows of Strength, Limited, has been established in efforts to help alleviate the burden faced by the recipient and their caregiver to assist with non-medical costs such as but not limited to:

Food/grocery/meals

Housing for recipients and caregiver

Telephone fees

Transportation to and from the transplant clinic and doctor visits

Gasoline costs

Parking fees for visits to the transplant clinic and doctor visits

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# Inspiration!

As founder of the organization, the lyrics from the song, "My Wish", provided me inspiration for the organizations name, "Windows of Strength, Limited".

Though each line of this song has a special meaning, the one that shaped the name is explained by these words: "And if one door opens to another door closed I hope you keep on walkin' till you find the window".

Throughout the transplant process, a recipient faces hopes and set-backs, but endures, remains strong and keeps on walkin' till they find the window. The window that has been given to them by the gift of life provided by another individuals love and caring wish - organ donation.

My wish as founder of Windows of Strength, Limited is to keep the recipients dreams big, their worries small and never want them to carry more than they can hold .

The GIFT OF LIFE is a TRUE GIFT that is LIFE GIVING by one and EMBRACED with LOVE and CARING by another. Transplant recipients and their caregivers should not be faced with unpreventable costs.

This is MY WISH!! What is yours?

*-Sandy Walker-Samler, Founder*