**Overview of kidney failure in Arkansas**

- **6,836** Arkansans are living with kidney failure
- **4,965** Arkansans are on dialysis
- **1,871** Arkansans are living with a kidney transplant

**LEADING CAUSES OF KIDNEY FAILURE**

- Percentage of kidney failure cases caused by diabetes: **44%**
- Percentage of kidney failure cases caused by high blood pressure: **29%**

**New cases of kidney failure diagnosed in Arkansas in 2021**

- **1,361** received a kidney transplant
- **27** began dialysis

**The total number of Arkansans living with kidney failure has increased by 35% since 2011.**

**Kidney transplants in Arkansas**

- **170** Arkansans are on the kidney transplant waiting list*
- **177** transplants performed in Arkansas in 2023, a **108% increase** from 2013

**NEARLY EVERY ARKANSAN ON THE KIDNEY TRANSPLANT WAITING LIST RECEIVED A TRANSPLANT IN 2023.**

- **9** living donor transplants performed in Arkansas
- **168** deceased donor transplants performed in Arkansas

Compared to 2013, there was a **25% decrease** in living donor kidney transplants

*As of April 21, 2024

Sources: U.S. Renal Data System 2023 Annual Data Report, Organ Procurement and Transplantation Network; Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System
Health disparities in kidney failure

KIDNEY FAILURE HAS A DISPROPORTIONATE IMPACT ON PEOPLE OF COLOR. COMPARED TO WHITE AMERICANS, THE LIKELIHOOD OF DEVELOPING KIDNEY FAILURE IS:

4.3x greater for Black Americans
2.3x greater for American Indians
1.6x greater for Asian Americans

2.2x greater for people of Hispanic/Latino ethnicity than people of non-Hispanic/Latino ethnicity.

THE AMERICAN KIDNEY FUND (AKF) PROVIDES FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO:

1 out of 21 White Americans with kidney failure
1 out of 12 Black Americans with kidney failure
1 out of 10 Hispanic/Latino Americans with kidney failure

Why people with kidney failure need financial assistance from AKF:

Kidney failure is a disability. Dialysis is life support. Treating kidney failure and its comorbidities is more consuming than a full-time job: more than 80% of people on dialysis cannot work.

707 Arkansans on dialysis and living with transplants received grants from AKF in 2023 to pay for their insurance premiums and other health care-related costs not covered by insurance.

$1,705,443 in charitable assistance from AKF ensured that low-income Arkansas dialysis and transplant patients could afford their lifesaving health care in 2023.

INSURANCE BREAKDOWN OF AMERICANS WHO RECEIVED CHARITABLE PREMIUM ASSISTANCE FROM AKF IN 2023

Medicare Part B: 44.6%
Medigap: 23.4%
Employer group health plans (including COBRA): 17.2%
Medicare Advantage: 1.4%