Overview of kidney failure in Utah

- **4,463** Utahns are living with kidney failure
- **2,324** Utahns are on dialysis
- **2,139** Utahns 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%**

- **692** New cases of kidney failure diagnosed in Utah in 2021 (most recent data available)
  - Received a kidney transplant: **43**
  - Began dialysis: **649**

The total number of Utahns living with kidney failure has increased by **45%** since 2011.

Kidney transplants in Utah

- **715** Utahns are on the kidney transplant waiting list*
- **372** transplants performed in Utah in 2023, a **70% increase** from 2013

**ONLY ABOUT 1 IN 2 UTAHNS ON THE KIDNEY TRANSPLANT WAITING LIST RECEIVED A TRANSPLANT IN 2024.**

- **110** living donor transplants performed in Utah
- **262** deceased donor transplants performed in Utah

Compared to 2013, there was a **53% increase** in living donor kidney transplants

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*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
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.

153 Utahns 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.

$629,678 in charitable assistance from AKF ensured that low-income Utah 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%