

SUNDAY MORNING

Health Corner

National Minority Donor Awareness Month

National Minority Donor Awareness Month serves as a crucial platform to underline the importance of organ donation within the **African American community**. The need for organ transplants is disproportionately higher within African American community due to the prevalence of conditions such as **hypertension, diabetes, and heart disease**.

Despite this heightened need, there remains a significant disparity in organ donation rates within the community.

Cultural misconceptions and a historical mistrust of the medical system contribute to hesitancy around organ donation.

By increasing **donor registrations**, the chances of matching donors with recipients improve, thereby saving more lives.

Overall, raising awareness and actively promoting organ donation within the **African American community** is vital for bridging the gap and offering hope to those in dire need of transplants.



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