

WILLED BODY DONATION INFORMATION

Body Donation Programs:

The University of Texas - Health Science Center.

- a. Their website is: <http://www.uth.tmc.edu/nba/willedbody>.
- b. Their phone number is: 713-500-5603.
- c. You can pre-register. It isn't legally binding and registering with UTHSC doesn't guarantee they will accept a body.
- d. UTHSC doesn't accept an autopsied body or one which has had organs removed because they use cadavers for educational purposes.
- e. There are circumstances where a body might be unusable; for example, if the body is severely injured or if the person was highly contagious at the time of death.
- f. If UTHSC accepts a body for use, they will take care of cremation and return cremains to the next of kin.

Life Legacy Foundation.

- a. Their website is: www.lifelegacy.org.
- b. Their phone number is: 1-888-774-4438.
- c. You can pre-register. It isn't legally binding and registering with Life Legacy isn't a guarantee they will accept a body.
- d. If UTHSC isn't an option, this is a good alternative because they will use bodies for medical research and take tissue samples. They don't necessarily need intact or un-autopsied bodies.
- e. They will take care of cremation and return cremains to the next of kin.

Baylor College of Medicine.

- a. Their website is: <https://www.bcm.edu/departments/molecular-and-cellular-biology/willed-body-program>.
- b. Their phone number is: (713) 798-3858.
- c. You can pre-register. It isn't legally binding and registering doesn't guarantee acceptance.
- d. The school's primary purpose in accepting bodies is for use in teaching.
- e. If they accept a body, they will take care of cremation, but a handling fee might apply.

Organ Donation Programs:

Donate Life Texas

- a. Their website is: <http://www.donatelifetexas.org>.
- b. You can register on the site, or say "yes" at the DPS Driver's license office when you apply for or renew your driver's license, or say "yes" at the DMV when you register your vehicle.
- c. This is the only official organ, eye, and tissue donor registry in Texas.