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Arapahoe County number one in donor awareness

Arapahoe County recognized for highest percentage of people joining registry

Littleton, Colo. - The Donor Awareness Council recently honored the Arapahoe County Clerk and Recorder's Office with two awards for Outstanding Achievement. The Council recognizes Colorado counties with two awards each year.

The Clerk and Recorder's Office was recognized for having the highest percent average of people joining the Colorado organ and tissue registry. In 2006, there were 115 organ donors in Colorado and 52 of those were on the registry. The County reached a 67.4 percent level as compared to the 60 percent statewide average.

The office also was recognized for the number of people who contribute to the fund. About 40 percent of the people using the Clerk and Recorder's Driver's License office contribute to the donor awareness fund. The state average is 23 percent.

"The citizens of Arapahoe County should be proud of these achievements," said Nancy Doty, Clerk and Recorder. "My staff takes pride in asking each customer to join this program and their efforts have paid off and benefit so many residents of Colorado."

The Donor Awareness Council is a nonprofit coalition formed to increase organ and tissue donations through public awareness and education. Everyone who visits the Driver's License office is asked if they would like to be an organ and tissue donor, and if they would like to donate \$1 or more to the donor awareness program.

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