

## Appleton girl in need of life-saving transplant

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With the cost of a transplant often exceeding \$500,000, many transplant patients are unable to shoulder the financial burden of such a procedure. The Children's Organ Transplant Association (COTA) is a national charity dedicated to organizing and guiding communities in raising funds for transplant-needy patients. In Appleton, volunteers are raising funds for transplant patients like local girl Alexis Arndt.

Born on September 8, 2005, Alexis was diagnosed with Renal Hypoplasia, and doctors at Children's Hospital of Wisconsin in Milwaukee recommended a life-saving kidney transplant. An estimated \$30,000 is being raised by Appleton volunteers.

Alexis is the daughter of Daniel and Anna Arndt, and the sister of Grace and Luciana Arndt. Her grandparents are Ed and Sue Murrow and Danette Arndt.

Volunteers are needed to assist with fundraising activities. Individuals and groups interested in more information can contact Community Coordinator Angie Peterson at 920.993.1899 or [angptrsn@yahoo.com](mailto:angptrsn@yahoo.com)

Donations may be made in person at any Chase Bank branch location using account number 2919634127 or mailed to the Children's Organ Transplant Association, 2501 West COTA Drive, Bloomington, Indiana, 47403. Checks or money orders should be made payable to COTA, with "In Honor of Alexis Danielle A." written on the memo line of the check. Secure credit card donations are also accepted online at [www.COTAforAlexisDanielleA.com](http://www.COTAforAlexisDanielleA.com).

Alexis' family has asked for assistance from the Children's Organ Transplant Association. The organization's priority is to assure that no child is denied a transplant or excluded from a transplant waiting list due to lack of funds. One hundred percent of all funds raised are used for patients' transplant-related expenses.