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Utah Woman Donates Two Organs While Alive, Saves Two Lives

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Robin Vedaa, a resident of Midvale, Utah, has accomplished an extraordinary act of generosity by donating two of her organs while still alive. This selfless act has made her one of the very few individuals in the world who have done so, with nearly 100 people globally making this remarkable contribution to others. Her donation of a kidney in 2019 and 20% of her liver in January, 2023, have saved the lives of a young woman and a child.

DonorConnect, a local organization that connects donors with recipients, reported that 883 people in Utah were on the waiting list for vital organs. Robin Vedaa's act of kindness has given hope to those on the waiting list and demonstrated the power of organ donation in saving lives.

Vedaa stated that she felt compelled to give the gift of life to strangers in need. "Hearing about the statistics and the numbers, I thought, 'Wow, there are still so many people waiting for organs, I gave my kidney to an adult, so why not this time ... give to a child," said Vedaa. She added that that the surgery had given her a new perspective on life and encouraged others to consider donating.

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