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## **SCOTCH PLAINS RESIDENT ELIZABETH STAMLER APPOINTED TO FOUNDATION BOARD OF TRUSTEES AT NJ SHARING NETWORK**

**NEW PROVIDENCE, NJ** – NJ Sharing Network recently made strategic appointments, including that of Elizabeth Stamler, to its Foundation Board of Trustees to further fulfill the organization’s mission of saving lives through organ and tissue donation.

Elizabeth Stamler’s life has been touched by organ and tissue donation – in more ways than one. Her brother, aunt and father, the late Union County Prosecutor John H. Stamler, each received a life-saving heart transplant. Her other brother later passed away and gave the gift of life as a tissue donor, restoring health to over 30 people. Stamler, who resides in Scotch Plains, is a dedicated volunteer of NJ Sharing Network and now a member of its Foundation Board of Trustees.

The Foundation Board of Trustees continues to create strategic initiatives to support the Foundation’s mission of increasing the number of lives saved through innovative transplant research, family support, education and public awareness about organ and tissue donation. It is comprised of a diverse group of individuals from both public and private sectors who have been touched by donation, including donor families and transplant recipients.

“Elizabeth’s personal connections to donation coupled with her work background and skills make her an ideal candidate for our Foundation Board,” said Elisse Glennon, Vice President

and Chief Administrative Officer of NJ Sharing Network and Executive Director of the Foundation. "We are honored to now have her as part of the team."

Stamler is currently the Assistant Superintendent for the Department of Weights and Measures, Union County. Prior to her current position, she was a Clerk/Legal Assistant for Methfessel & Werbel, PC, in Edison, NJ. Her previous roles also included work with the Union County Prosecutor's Office and Police Department.

Stamler earned her Master of Science in Accounting from Jersey City University and Bachelor of Science in Criminology from The College of New Jersey.

To date, there are over 120,000 people waiting for a transplant and 22 die each day while waiting, but one organ donor can save eight lives and one tissue donor can restore health to over 75 people. In New Jersey, there are over 4,000 people on the waiting list – 286 in Union County alone - and one person dies every three days waiting.

New Jersey residents can help save lives by registering as organ and tissue donors at [www.NJSharingNetwork.org](http://www.NJSharingNetwork.org), having a conversation with family and friends and joining NJ Sharing Network at its upcoming events.

#### About NJ Sharing Network

NJ Sharing Network saves lives through organ and tissue donation. Located in New Providence, the organization recovers organs and tissue and belongs to a national network that helps the 120,000 people waiting for a transplant. In 2016, more lives were saved than ever before. Thanks to the selflessness of New Jersey organ donors and their families who said yes to donation, 613 people are alive today. This year, the organization is celebrating 30 years of saving lives.