

Basically Babies

~ outfitting newborns in need ~

NEWSLETTER - AUGUST 2012

BASICALLY BABIES CALENDAR PROJECT

We would like to thank **Edmonton Community Foundation** for their generous donation of \$7,500 to support our work "outfitting newborns in need".



Visit www.ecfoundation.org for more information about this wonderful foundation.

Thank you!

It may be summer but we've got Christmas on the mind!

Are you always scrambling to find that perfect gift for your cousins, colleagues, and friends? What could be cuter than a calendar filled with beautiful babies and toddlers? Not much!

Basically Babies has partnered with Rebecca Lippiatt of Dragonfly Photography to produce a beautiful calendar featuring babies and

children who have received Basically Babies layettes!

Calendars will be available for sale in the fall and all proceeds will be used in our layette program.

Sponsorships are available for this project so if you are looking for a great way to connect with our community, call Caitlin at 780-989-0180 or send an email to office@basicallybabies.org



One of our beautiful calendar "models" getting ready for her photo session!

BASICALLY BABIES TEAMS UP WITH THE ROBIN HOOD ASSOCIATION

In March we welcomed several new volunteers from the Robin Hood Association for the Handicapped (RHA).

RHA is a non-profit, registered, charitable organization dedicated to providing person-centered services

"Basically Babies does wonderful work and the girls are always so excited to come and help out!"

-Catherine, Support Worker

and supports to children and adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities.

Katie, Joyce, Kim, and Joanne have been volunteering along with their support worker Catherine and a few other friends from time to time.

Their hard work sorting and sizing donations has been a tremendous help and we are so thankful they have chosen to volunteer with us!

URGENTLY NEEDED ITEMS:

- Snowsuits** - especially **boys'** in sizes **6-12 months**
- Large Summer Hats** - sizes 12-24 months
- Tights** - sizes 0-6 mo
- Large Slippers** - sizes 12-24 mo or shoe size 5-6
- Boys' Long Sleeved Shirts** - especially sizes 0-6 mo
- Undershirts** - 12-24 mo
- Shoes** - sizes 1-2

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Work Nights:

Aug 23 from 6-10pm

Sept 20 from 6-10pm

Volunteer Training:

Sept. 11 from 7-8:30pm

Please let us know if you plan to attend by calling 780-989-0180 or sending an email to

How do I sign up?

1. Visit www.basicallybabies.org
 2. Click on the **"Donate Now"** link which will take you to CanadaHelps.org
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3. Complete the brief form and have monthly donations deducted directly from your credit card!

It's that easy!

THE IMPACT OF MONTHLY DONATIONS

Monthly donations are an important part of Basically Babies' journey toward sustainability. Can you imagine if you received your annual salary in January? It would probably be challenging to plan for the rest of the year.

Likewise, monthly donations allow us to budget and forecast more accurately for Basically Babies because we know that we

can rely on a certain amount of income every month.

Monthly gifts are convenient for donors as well. For many of us, it's much easier to set aside \$5, \$10, or \$25 each month than it is to cover a large amount all at once.

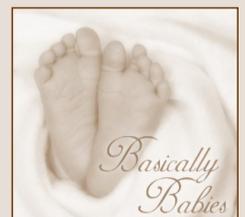
For the price of your morning latte or a meal out you can show your

support for Basically Babies and for families in our community.

It is quick and easy to sign up and you can cancel or change the amount of your gift at any time. Visit www.basicallybabies.org and sign up for your monthly donation today!

Thank you for your continued support of Basically Babies!

Basically Babies is a registered charity helping families in the Edmonton area who have newborn babies and are in situations of extreme need. We offer the gift of a complete first year wardrobe for these infants in the form of a beautiful colour-coordinated basket filled with clothing, outerwear, blankets, toys, storybooks, sleepers, undershirts, footwear and other baby essentials. For more information visit www.basicallybabies.org.



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