

Basically Babies Bulletin

- outfitting newborns in need -

EVERY LITTLE BIT HELPS!

Mother Theresa once said:

"We ourselves feel that what we are doing is just a drop in the ocean, but the ocean would be less because of that missing drop."

As a volunteer at Basically Babies, whatever you do is so much more than a drop in the ocean. Without the thousands of hours donated by our volunteers (over 6,000 in 2008), there is NO WAY that we could continue to operate. Your commitment means so much to the parents and children who receive our layettes, as well as to the organizations who deliver them. We appreciate you more than we can ever say! Your love and concern for babies in our community is so evident in the care you take in sorting donations, pulling layettes, and washing, ironing and assembling them . . . not to mention driving, shopping, and mending for us. Thank-you!

3RD ANNUAL GARAGE SALE

It's coming again, but we need your help!! Our Mammoth Garage Sale is tentatively scheduled for Saturday, May 30th. Now is the time, as you are cleaning and organizing after the "Christmas Craziess" to start setting aside all of those most classic and desirable items that you would like to offer to a new home. The old 8-track stereo? The treadmill (clothes hanger)? The velvet Elvis painting? Whatever it is, please start collecting your garage sale donations and save them for us. We will be in touch to let you know further details as we get closer to the big event.

THE STORIES WE HEAR...

A visitation worker with Multicultural Health Brokers Co-op recently sent us an e-mail to let us know how thankful she is each time she has the opportunity to pick up and deliver one of our layettes. She told us how so many of the moms she visits are moved to tears when they see the time and effort invested in a basket for their baby. One mom was staying in a motel with her 3 day old baby when this worker delivered our layette. The mom had absolutely nothing for her baby and she cried and cried when she received our gift. So, you see that the message of love, care and hope that we put into each basket really does shine through.

JANUARY 2009



PENCIL US IN!

January 15—Work Night
at our office from 6-10 pm

March 12—Work Night
at our office from 6-10 pm

April 22—Work Night
at our office from 6-10 pm

or

Join us in the office
any Wednesday from 9:30-1:30
to organize inventory
& package layettes

Planning to attend??

Please let us know at:
office@basicallybabies.org
or (780) 989-0180

IMPORTANT NOTICE!

Volunteer Hours

We are attempting to track the numbers of hours donated by our volunteers for some of our funding applications. When you stop by the office, **please** record whatever hours you have given us, whether in or out of the office, on the clipboard on the front counter.

Volunteer Opportunities:

If your child's school requires them to put in volunteer hours for a charity, consider **Basically Babies!** We can provide ideas and projects with flexible hours for individuals as well as groups. They can have fun, complete their hours & the community benefits from their time.

Everybody Wins!

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