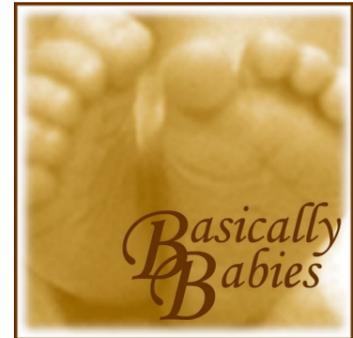


Basically News!



- outfitting newborns in need -

JANUARY 2010

VOLUNTEER WORK NIGHTS

- Tuesday, January 26, 6-10PM
- Thursday, February 25, 6-10PM
- Tuesday, March 16, 7-9PM
*Volunteer Training Session
- Tuesday, March 23, 6-10PM
- Thursday, April 29, 6-10PM

RSVP your attendance to all events at 780.989.0180 OR office@basicallybabies.org

MAMMOTH SPACE?

The annual Mammoth Garage Sale is slated for the weekend of May 29th. We are currently seeking a storage space location of approximately 2000 sq ft, for gathering and sorting to use from mid-April to the end of May. If you know of an appropriate location please contact the office so we can move forward in planning this significant fundraising event. Also, remember to save your garage sale stuff!

SUPPLIES NEEDED

- Slippers (0-24 months)
- Girls tights (basic colors/0 - 24 months)
- Small girls shoes (size 0 - 2 baby)

Meet Damien's Mom

Kristen is a 23 year old single mom with a 6 month old healthy baby boy named Damien. After receiving a layette from a partner agency, she noticed the Basically Babies business card in the bottom of the hamper. This prompted Kristen to make a call into Basically Babies inquiring about where she should donate her 'donated' layette baby clothes. After further conversation, Kristen sat down with Janet Wilson to share her gratitude and encouraging story.

Kristen had been trying to find her way in the world, alone and without any direction or a support system. As she anticipated the birth of her baby as a struggling

single parent, Kristen reached out to several agencies in search of support for her small family resulting in the delivery of a beautiful layette. She couldn't believe that someone would take the time to put together such a huge gift with so much 'stuff' for a complete stranger.

She is now impassioned about our cause and is telling many others about it.



This gift has forever changed her life and she deeply expresses her gratitude.

Campaign Success

Because of your support, the Basically Babies Matching Dollars Mail Campaign was a tremendous success. As of year end, a total of \$17,147.25 was donated. These funds have been generously matched with \$10,000 each from two individual donors. Additionally, the Alberta Community Spirit Donation Grant will match the donation with \$10,000. Thanks to this successful campaign, Basically Babies has raised \$47,147.25 which will make a significant difference in our ability to help underprivileged families in our community. Thank you!

New Year Brings New Face

Please welcome Theresa Jantzen Reed as the new Executive Director of Basically Babies. Theresa is joining our organization on the heels of Janet Wilson's departure from her staff role. (While Janet may be done her formal role with Basically Babies she will still be around actively volunteering). Previously, Theresa managed client services for the Vancouver Canucks and also has extensive experience working in the university non profit sector.

Due to the growth Basically Babies is experiencing we are thrilled to announce Theresa's position as full time which will allow us to expand our daily operation and entire organization.

Our expanded office hours are Monday - Thursday from 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM. Furthermore, we will be opening Monday's as an additional volunteer work day.

If you are interested in joining the Monday volunteer team please contact the office.

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