



st. joseph's Baby Corner

Changing the world one diaper at a time...

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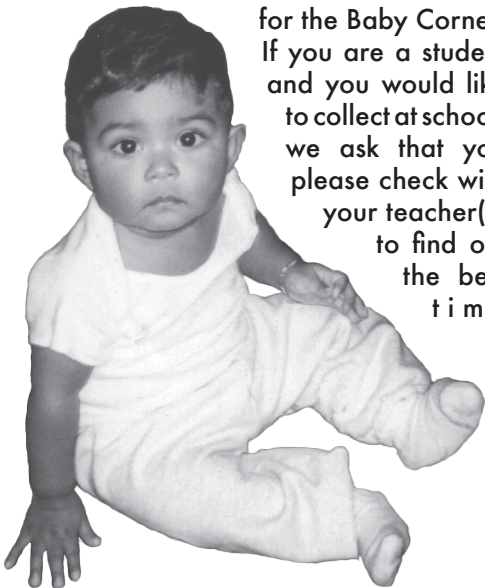
Volunteer Opportunities

CASH DONATIONS are important, but so too are donations of time and talent. Without volunteers, we would not be able to keep our door open. And there's plenty for our volunteers to do! We welcome individuals, groups, and students needing service hours...just ask us!

Are You an Organizer?

The Baby Corner is in constant need of the items listed below. Volunteers who organize drives to collect donated goods play an important role in keeping our shelves well stocked.

There's room for creativity! We've had individuals and groups organize baby showers and holiday parties to collect donations for the Baby Corner. If you are a student and you would like to collect at school, we ask that you please check with your teacher(s) to find out the best time



Where do families living in poverty turn when there is no money for clothes, diapers, a car seat, or a place for a newborn to sleep?

The Baby Corner often receives calls in crisis situations, or when there is no place else to turn. We provide families with car seats, portacribs, diapers, clothing, and other essential items. Through the generosity of our donors, the Baby Corner has even bought headstones and provided for the burial of infants whose families were unable to do so.

Why are we needed? Founded in 1988, St. Joseph's Baby Corner helps "plug the gap" left by public assistance programs. Such programs provide subsidies for food but not for diapers, bottles, detergent, and other critical items. The Baby Corner works with service providers—nurses and social workers—to distribute more than \$500,000 worth of goods every year.

and place to hold a drive. Call us, and we'll give you details about delivering the donations you collect.

The Baby Corner is also supported by holiday Giving Tree and Crib communities. To find out more about starting one in your workplace, school, faith community, or elsewhere, please visit our website, or e-mail our Volunteer Coordinator (see addresses above).

Needed Items

- Diapers (disposable or cloth), all sizes
- Diaper rash ointment and wipes
- Vinyl pants and diaper covers
- Infant formula (with iron), especially Similac and Enfamil
- Baby wash
- Baby clothes, especially sleepers, blanket sleepers, T-shirts
- Board books
- Laundry soap (Dreft) and detergent
- Blankets (crib or receiving), quilts
- Toys (newborn through preschool): developmental toys such as nesting cups and stacking rings, push/pull toys, Duplos, toy telephones, musical toys for babies, coloring books with crayons and markers
- Teething rings and rattles
- Personal hygiene items for new moms: maxi sanitary pads, hand soap (bar or liquid)

Do You Knit, Crochet, or Quilt?

We are grateful for handmade afghans, blankets, and clothing for babies. Fleece blankets are great, too, and make a good service project for younger volunteers!

Guidelines for knitted/crocheted items:

- Only acrylic yarns, no wool
- No textured, bouclé-type yarns
- Minimum size: 36" x 36"
- Machine-washable materials only

Even if you don't sew, crochet, or knit anymore, we'd love to have your leftover fabric and yarns!

Be a Santa's Helper!

Help us unpack, unwrap, and sort the hundreds of items that come in from our Giving Tree communities. We will need helpers every weekend in December, and daily during the week before Christmas, from 9 a.m. to 12 noon. For further details, please e-mail our Volunteer Coordinator at babies@blarg.net.

Roll Up Your Sleeves!

We're always in need of volunteers to sort donated clothing (on-site or off), do laundry, transport donations of baby equipment (SUV or van required), and occasionally clean our facility. Please visit our website or e-mail our Volunteer Coordinator, babies@blarg.net, for further details.