

Serving Needy Newborns in Southwest Washington

Family Stories

Baby Angelica* was born with drugs in her system and was given to her grandparents for protection and nurturing. They are loving, kind people on a fixed income who were overwhelmed by the additional expenses and responsibilities. A friend suggested checking with Babies In Need. We provided a car seat and layette, a recently donated bassinet, stroller, swing and a bundle of extra clothes. The grandmother had tears in her eyes and they were beyond thankful for your gifts.

Sebastiano* arrived two months early and was placed in NICU. 17-year-old Martina came in daily to learn baby care and bond with her baby. Members of her family drove her in see the baby daily but they did not have much money or any other resources. Our clothes, blankets, diapers, car seat and list of free local resources in Spanish gave her support and encouragement. Her eyes sparkled as she discovered each item in her gift bag and blessed her unknown benefactors.

Joshua's* parents from Micronesia have two other sons under three. They were living in a Motel 6 while both parents worked hard to save money. They also worked with the local housing program and three days after being discharged they were able to get into a family shelter. The father expressed much appreciation for our car seat and large layette gift bag.

Tammi*, a young mother, faced returning home to her violent husband. As she awaited a safe place to go to at discharge, she worried about taking care of two children by herself. She smiled when her 18-month-old daughter was given one our Sibling Bags and got right to work with the coloring book and crayons. She was also grateful for our car seat and large gift bag of essentials for her new baby.

Michael and Madison* bought a car seat that was beyond its six-year expiration date with their limited income, not realizing that it wouldn't keep their baby safe. With no more money to spend, they were thrilled to receive a new car seat from Babies In Need.

Thank you for caring, acting and making a difference in many lives this year!

*Names changed to protect privacy

November 2016

Given Since 1999

4254 Newborn Layettes 2205 Newborn Car Seats 743 Sibling Gift Bags

Needed Every Month

17 Layettes

13 Car Seats

7 Sibling Bags

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CHRISTMAS BENEFITS FOR BABIES IN NEED-2016

- Kiwanis Giving Trees at twelve McDonald's Restaurants
 This is their eleventh annual collaboration for Babies In Need.
- * Baby Clothes Drive at thirty Perfect Look and Sports Clips salons.
- * Vancouver Clinic Giving Tree
- Pancake Breakfast with Santa Sunday, Dec. 19th, 10 1
 40 et 8 Bingo Parlor, NE 78th St. at 26th Ave. Ft. Vancouver Kiwanis.

BABY EQUIPMENT

Many gently-used strollers, pac 'n play cribs, bassinets, changing tables, swings, floor gyms, bouncy chairs, nursing pillows, *etc.* are donated to us. New moms need and appreciate them. We pass them along directly and through Maternal and Child agencies in Clark County. Please tell family and friends who no longer need their baby things.

NOTES OF THANKS



Thank you for having the vision to start this wonderful organization, and for allowing me to be a part of it.

- A Faithful Volunteer

They just raised our rent at our apartment. Thank you for the clothes, supplies and especially the diapers in your bag of goodies. Please pray for our new family. - Joanie

Thank you for the car seat, clothes and baby things. We are living with my parents and it is nice that we can bring these things for the baby to help my parents. - *Mindy*

I just finished sorting thru my Layette and I want to thank everybody who helped with it. As I was going through my gift bag full of new baby boy clothes, I had a bunch of mixed feelings. There were *oohs* and *aww's* and then the feeling of being taken care of, being loved. The words "Thank you" seem to express little of the gratitude I feel this day.



- Beyond Blessed By Babies In Need

THANK YOU, DEAR READER

You are kind. You do what you can, when you can and make a difference in many lives. Thank you for holding these little ones close to your heart. I'm honored, grateful and delighted to be able to serve alongside you.

Blessings,

Kitty Ash, Director

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Who We Serve

Low-income families of all racial, ethnic, educational, and religious backgrounds; unsupported mothers, homeless women and babies; immigrants; victims of domestic violence or substance abuse; families with medical problems or job loss; premature or special needs babies.

Our Layettes

(Preemie & Newborn sizes)
Gowns / Pajamas
Fleece sleeping sacques
Washcloths / Burp cloths
Receiving blankets
Crib blanket / Quilt
Diapers / Wipes
Sweater / Hat
Story Book / Crib Toy

Greeting from Babies In Need To the Mother of a New Baby A Man and a New Baby Walk into Prayer List of free local resources

24-Hour Drop Box

2206 NW 99th Street Vancouver, WA 98665 360-573-8106

Please, NO drop-side cribs or used car seats.

Speakers Available

We can provide a 15-minute program for your group. Email: KittyAsh2@msn.com

As you have done it unto the least of these...you have done it unto me.

~ Matthew 25:40