

A Shower for Babies in Need

Choose a Date Mother's Day, your birthday, Valentine's Day, any day!
Get some brochures Just tell us how many you need. (emails and phones below)
Invite some friends Family, friends, work, church, neighbors, club ...
Have fun!

Sample Invitation:

We're having a baby shower!!

For Babies in Need - needy newborns in Clark and Cowlitz Counties
Date _____
What New or gently used **preemie & newborn** clothing, bedding, books or
cuddly toys. Money for car seats (please make checks out to *Babies In Need*)
 No wrapping, please.
Place _____
Host(s) You, your club or church group

Sample info for church bulletins:

#1 Baby Shower this month – remember our Shower Collection Basket

Did You Know? 500 babies are born every month in Clark and Cowlitz Counties. 25-35 of them are born to mothers that have very few resources! They lack clothes, blankets, diapers, car seats, etc. Babies in Need assembles new & used **newborn & preemie size** clothes and bedding into layette gift packs and adds diapers, wipes, a toy and book. Social workers & nurses at the Family Birth Centers of PeaceHealth SW, Legacy Salmon Creek Medical Center and PeaceHealth St. John's, Longview, identify the families that need help.

Please Bring: New or gently-used infant clothing (unwrapped) or money for car seats. Checks may be made out to *Babies In Need*.

Information and Brochures are available beside the collection box/basket.

#2

Remember our Baby Shower this month for needy newborns and their families.

- Local women of all racial, ethnic, educational and religious backgrounds.
- Homeless women
- Unsupported mothers
- Victims of domestic violence or substance abuse
- Families with medical problems or job loss
- Premature and special needs babies

#3

Baby Shower reminder: Next week is your last chance to bring new or used clothing for newborns or a check made out to Babies In Need for car seats. See brochures near collection basket for more information.

We're delighted that you are considering giving a shower for *Babies In Need*. Please contact us if you have questions.

Sincerely,

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Layette Gift Bag Contents Needed (newborn and preemie sizes):

Gowns / Pajamas
Fleece Gowns / Pajamas
Fleece sleep sacks - to wear over PJ's or gown on cold nights
Undershirts/Onesies
Booties-Sox
Bibs / Burp cloths
Washcloths
Receiving Blankets
Blankets & Quilts*
Small Crib Toy and Book
Diapers**
Baby wash & diaper cream
Extras like infant nail clippers, thermometers, etc.

Greeting card from Babies in Need
Info on free resources in Clark County
Walk into Prayer – old favorites and new for moms and children
To the Mother of a New Baby – booklet
A Man and a New Baby – booklet

Notes:

- *We include knit and crocheted blankets, but we have an abundant supply, so we don't ask for those.
- **All our diapers are generously donated by PeaceHealth Medical Center, so we don't need those.
- **Most needed: newborn and preemie-size gowns and pajamas, sleep sacks, fleece pajamas, onesies, soft cuddly toys (without eyes that can be pulled off) and small board books.**