

# Want to help a family in crisis? ***Do it with diapers!***

## Host a diaper drive or donate diapers to the **Lowell Diaper Bank Collaborative!**

### **Getting to the Bottom of Clean Diapers:**

- Infants need up to 12 diapers per day; toddlers about 8 diapers per day.
- An adequate supply of disposable diapers can cost over \$100 per month.
- In low-income households, babies often spend the entire day or longer in a single diaper, because the family cannot afford to buy an adequate supply of diapers.
- Inadequate diaper changing increases the risk of numerous health problems including severe diaper rash and infection.
- Low income parents often cannot take advantage of free or subsidized childcare if they cannot afford to leave disposable diapers at the childcare centers. An unfortunate consequence of an inadequate supply of diapers is work and school truancy among parents.

Find out how you can help!  
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FOR FAMILIES AND NEIGHBORHOODS

The Lowell Diaper Bank Collaborative is a collaboration of agencies in Lowell, including Acre Family Child Care, Community Teamwork Inc., the Greater Lowell Chamber of Commerce, Head Start, the Lowell Alliance for Families and Neighborhoods, the Lowell Community Health Center, the YWCA, and WIC who are committed to collecting and distributing diapers to local families in need.