



Diaper Drive Information Packet

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What is diaper need?

A family experiencing *diaper need* cannot provide the steady supply of diapers that a baby needs.

- Diapers cost over \$900 every year, a cost that 1 in 3 families struggle with in the US.
- Government assistance programs, like food stamps and WIC, do NOT cover diapers.
- In the Athens area alone, there are over **8,000 children** at risk of experiencing diaper need.



What is the fall-out of diaper need?

A parent without clean diapers...

- ...will re-use a dirty diaper or use paper towels, rags, and bags as diapers.
- ...will buy diapers instead of food.
- ...can't bring baby to daycare, so they can't go to work.
- ...is prone to depression and anxiety.

A baby without clean diapers...

- ...has persistent diaper rash and is prone to infections.
- ...cannot go to daycare or early childhood education programs.
- ...cries more, which can lead to physical abuse.



How does the Athens Area Diaper Bank help?

The Athens Area Diaper Bank strives to eradicate diaper need by providing diapers to low-income families in the Athens area, while raising public awareness of diaper need and its impact. We provide diapers to low-income families by partnering with over 25 local nonprofits, agencies, and churches. These partner organizations serve families in a wide variety of difficult situations, ranging from domestic abuse recovery, homelessness, and generational poverty (partner list is on our website). Our partners receive over 25,000 diapers from AADB each month!