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Whispering Hope

Pack Diaper Bag for New Mom

IMPACT

Whispering Hope is a nonprofit organization committed to providing compassion, information, and support to anyone facing the challenge of an unintended pregnancy. Whispering Hope provides support to moms throughout their pregnancies and until their babies are 18 months old. Packing a diaper bag with essentials is a lot of fun and helps Whispering Hope replenish their baby gift room. After a client delivers her child, they give her a diaper bag full of items she will need. For some mothers, these will be the only new items they'll receive.

INSTRUCTIONS

STEP 1: As a group, spend time learning about Whispering Hope and the families they serve. Their website (<u>www.supportwhisperinghope.org</u>) is a good starting place.

STEP 2: Discuss as a group how you will collect the baby items you'll donate. Feel free to invite others (neighbors and co-workers) to donate as well. You may want to set a goal for how many new moms you want to support.

STEP 3: Set a date to bring the items to small group and perhaps have a baby shower theme that night.

Once you've gathered your items and put them in the diaper bag spend some time praying for the moms who will receive your donations.

STEP 4: Donations can be dropped off at Whispering Hope. Call to schedule a drop-off time (770-889-8302). Office hours are Monday and Tuesday, 12:00–8:00 p.m. and Wednesday and Thursday, 10:00 a.m-4:00 p.m.

STEP 5: Register your project <u>here</u> so we can keep track of what's happening in our community!

NOTES

Baby Shower List: boy or girl baby clothes (sizes newborn to three mos.); lightweight and heavy jackets; wipes; packs of onesies; large blankets; receiving blankets; pacifiers; bottles; washcloths and towels; booties/socks; stuffed animals; toys (teethers, rattles, etc.); \$20 gift cards for Walmart, Target, etc.; baby hygiene items (shampoo, soap, comb); diaper bag; diapers (preemie to size 6).

INCLUDE YOUR KIDS

Children can help collect the items you'll donate. They can help sort and/or organize your group's donations. Kids can also go with you to deliver your items. Please use your visit as a teachable moment and set expectations on the front end by talking about what they might experience and reminding them to love and treat others as they wish to be treated (such as making eye contact, smiling, and being respectful to everyone).