

News from the Nest...

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Nestlings 4th Year...



Nestlings, along with mascots Cheep and Chirp, celebrated Birthday #4 on February 9th. It truly does take a community to help brighten the futures of the babies and children. There are so many great business, groups, churches, clubs, agencies and individuals that support Nestlings mission to diaper the babies. Together, we are

all helping to make a difference in the young lives, who will one day be the future members of our community. **Thank You** so much for everything, without you Nestlings could not do it.

200,000th Diaper Distributed...

Nestlings distributed it's 200,000th diaper, in the Spring, to the Intercare Maternal and Infant Health Program. They provide pregnant women and babies with high-quality support services to help make sure babies are healthy and well. Services are provided by licensed Social Workers, Registered Nurses, and Registered



Dietitians working one-on-one to help families and their children have the best start possible. The ladies at this agency and all of Nestlings partner agencies deserve a huge **Thank You** for their service to the families and babies of our community.

Bridging the Gap...



Nestlings mission is to nurture the health of babies by partnering with family support organizations to bridge the gap of diaper need. Nestlings could not do it's work without your support and the support of others.

Supporters who have gifted Nestlings with either a significant physical or financial gift receives a Bridging the Gap Certificate of Appreciation. Each year the

bridge picture changes so receiving more than one is never the same, why not set a goal to earn one each year?

Holland Junior Welfare League...

A little package of baby wipes is something that may seem common and simple but provide so much to those in need. Diaper wipes are an essential part of diaper



changing, other papers and products with alcohol, can cause rashes and sores on delicate skin. Wipes make cleaning a more gentle and sanitary process for happy,



healthy babies. Thanks to Holland Junior Welfare League, Nestlings has 1,530 packages of wipes to distribute. The Holland Junior Welfare League is a wonderful supporter of our community's children, their futures and Nestlings Diaper Bank.

Just for Fun, Word Un-Scramble...

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Baby of the Year...



Meet Owen Walker, Nestlings 2015 Baby of the Year. As baby of the year Owen gets the privilege of being the highlight of all of Nestlings 2015 media and gets to ride in parades. Nestlings will be searching for the 2016 Baby of the Year this fall beginning October 1st–December 1st. Submit your baby's photo entry during that time to Nestlings email

diapers@nestlings.org the selected baby will be announced in January.

Nestlings Diapers Not for Resale...

Nestlings has been made aware of Nestlings bundled diapers posted for-sale on a Local Online Sales Group. Nestlings diapers are not for re-sale or re-distribution. They are provided for free to the low income families Nestlings assist and not allowed to be sold. If you see Nestlings diapers for sale anywhere, either cloth or disposable, please let Nestlings know, Thank-You.



Kohl's Cares Cards...



Nestlings is selling Kohl's Cares[®] Fundraising Gift Cards available in denominations of \$10, \$25, \$50 and \$100. Kohl's Cares[®] Fundraising Gift Cards can be used to pay off your Kohl's Charge account, making them charitable and practical. They are

accepted at Kohl's stores nationwide and at <u>Kohls.com</u>. Kohl's Cares[®] Fundraising Gift Cards have no service fees, or expiration dates and can be used on multiple visits until the card balance hits zero. Why not get some for Back to School Shopping, Christmas

Gifts and just to pay your Kohl's Charge with? If you are going to shop anyway, why not give back at the same time?

Get yours by emailing: diapers@nestlings.org or call 616-298-1009

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your charitable organization after signing into Amazon Smile. AmazonSmile is the same Amazon you know, with the same products, same prices and service, please sign up today.

Diaper Wrap Volunteer Days...



Nestlings host regularly scheduled diaper re-packaging days on the 2nd Friday of every month between 1pm-3pm. Please feel free to stop in at 650 Riley St, Holland, 49424 if you would like to volunteer to help re-package diapers and we will put to work, kids are welcome too.

Groups Hosted...

Nestlings also host private volunteer groups to re-package diapers as a community service, team building activity, a way to give back or just for fun. Kohls, Meijer, American Heritage Girls Troop #MI5048, Mead Johnson, Yanfeng, Women's Service Day, Dr. Pepper/Snapple and Herman Miller are among the great groups that have helped re-package diapers that are distributed for the babies.

National Diaper Need Awareness Week...

National Diaper Need Awareness Week is September 28th-Oct 4, 2015. Please make a commitment to act by hosting a Diaper, Coin Drive or Donation. Negative early experiences affect brain development and learning, with children in dirty diapers risking physical abuse. Your assistance makes the difference in the lives and futures of babies and children, in our community, struggling with diaper need.



Donations...

Nestlings most needed and distributed sizes are 4, 5 and 6's. Nestlings accepts open diaper packages, wipes, cloth diapers (new or used) and their supplies. EcoBuns Cloth Diaper Store in Holland has a donation box or see nestlings.org for other diaper drop off

locations. Monetary donations can be mailed to Nestlings, 650 Riley St, Suite L, Holland, 49424 or accepted online at <u>nestlings.org</u>.

For questions, comments, suggestions or input please feel free to contact Nestlings at 616-298-1009 or email: diapers@nestlings.org. Nestlings is an all volunteer operation with office hours held by appointment.

word un-scramble answers:

infant, brain development, nurture, healthy, dry bottom, change, children, baby wipe, diaper rash, necessity, learning, awareness

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