



DIY: OUTREACH

Organization: Helping Hand Me Downs
Project: Diaper Drive

IMPACT

Can you imagine working full time and still having to choose between buying food or diapers? Real people answered the question “What is something that you wish other people understood about raising children while struggling to make ends meet?” [Check out what they said.](#)

[Helping Hand Me Downs](#) comes alongside families facing difficult choices between food or diapers in a way that empowers and brings stability to their lives. Diapers are a major expense for any young family and they are not covered by SNAP (food stamps) or WIC. Hosting a diaper drive will support the work of Helping Hand Me Downs as they strive to empower families.

INSTRUCTIONS

Step 1: In order to understand the impact, we must first take a look at the need. Using the links above, take a few minutes to understand what some families face every day and how Helping Hand Me Downs works to support and empower them.

Step 2: Now that we've looked at the need, [let's see what the Bible says.](#)

Step 3: Register your participation [HERE](#) so we can measure the collective impact on our city.

Step 4: Review the shopping list below and decide how you will collect or purchase the needed items. Unopened packages only please. Feel free to invite others (neighbors, co-workers, small group, etc.) to donate as well.

Shopping List: diapers (size 4 to 6 most needed), pull-ups (all sizes), wipes

Step 5: As you gather your donated items, take a few moments to pray for the families you read about. Ask God to move in close and to bring hope and stability. Pray for the staff of Helping Hand Me Downs as they come alongside families.

Step 6: Donations can be dropped off at the address below Monday through Friday, 9am to 3pm and Saturday, 9am-12pm.

FUN IDEAS

- Pack a picnic lunch and explore [Forest Park](#) after dropping off your donations. Not only is Forest Park home to 1,300 acres of beautiful outdoor scenery, but it also hosts five of the region's major cultural institutions: St. Louis Art Museum, Missouri History Museum, St. Louis Zoo, St. Louis Science Center & Planetarium, and the MUNY, all of which have options that are free to the public.
- Take pictures and post them to social media using #forthelou.