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## JUNIOR LEAGUE OF CHARLESTON HOSTS COMMUNITY DIAPER DRIVE Diaper Bank collection drive to help families in the Lowcountry—one diaper at a time

CHARLESTON, SC – From April 21 through April 28, 2018, the Junior League of Charleston Diaper Bank will host a diaper collection drive to collect diapers and monetary donations. Junior League of Charleston (JLC), in connection with youth service day, will have local dropoff locations around the community.

The Junior League of Charleston will have volunteers at the following drop off locations:

- Harris Teeter Village Point: April 21 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.
- Harris Teeter Wescott: April 22 from 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

## Other community drop-off locations for the 2018 Diaper Drive:

- Mount Pleasant Regional Library: All of April during business hours
- Skyzone Mount Pleasant: April 21-28 during business hours
- Golds Gym James Island: April 21-28 during business hours
- CresCom Bank Locations: April 21-28 during business hours
  - West Ashley, Downtown, James Island, Cane Bay, Summerville, Mt. Pleasant, North Charleston

Through these drives, the Junior League of Charleston Diaper Bank collects, packages and works with community partner organizations to distribute diapers to those in need throughout the Lowcountry. Youth Service Day is April 20-22 and the Junior League of Charleston and youth groups are encouraged to host diaper drives during the week.

"The Junior League of Charleston Diaper Bank has collected more than 70,000 diapers since its inception in August 2017," says Alisa Brooks, the Junior League of Charleston President. "The community has been extremely supportive of this initiative to help our neighbors in need and we're honored to be spearheading this effort in the lowcountry."

For countless low-income families in South Carolina, it is a struggle to provide adequate necessities like diapers for their babies with an average cost of diapers climbing to \$1,250 or more a year. Without diapers, children cannot attend daycare, which may prevent parents from making an income. Diapers are not funded by WIC and SNAP programs, and without this financial assistance, babies are left in their diapers longer, leading to severe diaper rash that could lead to other medical problems.

To inquire about diaper and monetary donations, to get an updated list of collection locations



or to learn how you can host your own diaper collection drive with the Junior League of Charleston Diaper Bank, visit <u>ilcharleston.org/diaperbank</u> or contact us at diaperbank@ilcharleston.org.

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## About The Junior League of Charleston, Inc.

The Junior League of Charleston, Inc., is an organization of women committed to promoting voluntarism, developing the potential of women, and improving the community through the effective action and leadership of trained volunteers. Its purpose is exclusively educational and charitable. The Junior League of Charleston reaches out to women of all races, religions and national origin who demonstrate an interest in and commitment to voluntarism. <a href="https://www.ilcharleston.org">www.ilcharleston.org</a>