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JUNIOR LEAGUE OF CHARLESTON DIAPER BANK DONATES 29,776 DIAPERS

Junior League of Charleston Diaper Bank Makes First Diaper Distribution to Partners

CHARLESTON, SC – For National Diaper Bank Week Sept. 25 to Oct. 1, the Junior League of Charleston Diaper Bank invites the media to attend our first diaper bank distribution of 24,476 diapers to one of our community partners, East Cooper Community Outreach, on Sept. 29, at 2:00 p.m. at 1145 Six Mile Road, Mt. Pleasant, SC 29466.

The Junior League of Charleston Diaper Bank will distribute nearly 30,000 diapers throughout the week to our partner organizations: East Cooper Community Outreach, Florence Crittenton, and Lowcountry CARES.

The Junior League of Charleston Diaper Bank collects diapers throughout the community, packages them, and works with our partner organizations to distribute diapers to those in need throughout the Lowcountry.

One in three families in the US reports a need for diaper assistance. Due to various restrictions, diapers are not funded by government-based assistance programs, such as WIC and SNAP. Without this financial assistance, many families are unable to afford and change their children's diapers as often as needed, which can then lead to health problems.

After significant research into the diaper need within the Lowcountry, the Junior League of Charleston's Diaper Bank was created in 2017 to address this need and make a real, sustainable impact within the community.

In August, the Diaper Bank's first week-long diaper drive collected more than 15,000 diapers.

To inquire about diaper and monetary donations, including an updated list of collection locations, visit <u>ilcharleston.org/diaperbank</u>, contact us at <u>diaperbank@jlcharleston.org</u> or go to our Diaper Bank <u>Amazon Wish list</u>.

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