

The Midland Community Diaper Bank Newsletter





Diapers delivered since July 19, 2010: 24,518 and counting...

December 2010



Permanent Diaper Drop Off

Locations:

-  **One Hour Cleaners**
1524 N Saginaw Road
Midland, MI
989-631-1590
-  **Aristocut Salon**
4811 Swede
Midland, MI
989-631-7531
-  **Pathway Christian Bookstore**
415 S Saginaw Road
Midland, MI
888-317-6480
-  **Baseball Heaven**
1111 E. Wackerly
Midland, MI
989-486-3320

Welcome to our New

Partners:

**Midland County
Emergency Food Pantry
Network**

Special Thank You!

-  Midland 100 Club
-  Baseball Heaven
-  Junior League of Saginaw Valley
-  Grand Traverse Pie Company
-  All the nameless donors!

Recently after making a delivery to one of our partner agencies, a young woman approached me to inquire about the Diaper Bank and 'how it works.' Expecting the young woman to ask how she, herself, could benefit from our service, I planned to list for her the agencies we serve. If enrolled with one of them, she would qualify for help with her diaper needs through that agency. Instead, she told me of a man who lives in her trailer park. She shared that she is trying to get to know him better, but she noticed that he appears to need the help of 'pads' because of bladder control issues. She went on to explain that he is a veteran of Vietnam. Because of this caring young woman, one of our partner agencies can now help one of our veterans. -Debi Keyes-

Diaper Duties:

As we enter the Holiday Season and are so thankful for all the blessings we have been given, we realize that diaper donations have declined. Please keep in mind that the need for diapers never slows, and the effect on struggling families can even intensify at this time of year due to high heating bills. Although there are currently no public Diaper Drives in progress, donations can always be dropped off at **ONE HOUR CLEANERS, ARISTOCUT SALON, BASEBALL HEAVEN and PATHWAY CHRISTIAN BOOKSTORE.** We are currently scheduling Diaper Drives for early in 2011, so if we can help with your plans to host one at work or within your organization, please let us know. Thank you for your support in 2010! Have a very **Merry Christmas** and a safe **New Year!**

2010 SANTA HOLIDAY PARADE



The **Midland Community Diaper Bank** participated in the **2010 Santa Holiday Parade** on November 20th. Fun was had by all, and it was wonderful to see the groups and organizations scrambling around, adding last minute details to their entries. It was exciting to see the children along the parade route, who were collecting candy and anxiously awaiting the 'guest of honor' named **Santa**. It was also touching to see employees of partner agencies that the Diaper Bank serves, and community members who have held a Diaper Drive or donated to help our cause. Comments we heard while driving by told us that we are no longer strangers in Midland, but a welcome, instrumental part of the community. **Thank you, MIDLAND!!!**



DiaperRealities:



The Midland Community Diaper Bank is a nonprofit 501(c)(3) charitable organization serving Midland, MI. We work to meet the need for diapers at partner nonprofit agencies working with individuals and families in crisis. *We are unable to donate directly to individuals.*