

# THE BABYCRYER



## WARM HEARTS WARM BABIES

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**NEW THINGS ARE HAPPENING!!!!  
GROWTH IS HAPPENING. DEVELOPMENT IS HAPPENING**

Two new Agencies have just been added to our list. Glenda, our VP, visited with a new contact at Lutheran Hospital and they are just as thrilled to have us send them some layettes, and quilts as we are to add them to our list of new recipients. They are Lutheran Hospital, (Wheatridge) – NICU, Solace Coordinator and Social Worker (Deliveries) and also Hospice, (Loveland).

**NEW WORK GROUPS ANNOUNCED**

New Work Groups have just formed. We now have Windsor Gardens, near Havana & Alameda with Barb Achenbach as the Group Leader. They have about 15 volunteers. And at Southlands, in Southeast Denver, Gisela Stout is their Group Leader. These are both located in the Aurora area. It is exciting to already see an increase in Sleepers, Hats & Booties, Gowns, Burp Cloths, Quilts and Afghans. An increase in agencies makes it necessary to increase our volunteers and all that they do. In Brighton, a new group will be announced as soon as details have been completed. We are pleased to have all of you join the WHWB family.

Aurora is growing, Group Leader, Kathy Williams recently announced that since they moved to their new location at Above and Beyond, in Aurora, her volunteers have increased. Thank you and WELCOME to all the newest volunteers. Thank you Kathy for helping with the new work groups, she will provide guidance for a short while until the new ones are on their own.

**SKYSTONE CONTINUES TO GROW**

Thank you Ann C. Brockman and your entire group. Skystone was our newest work group, and we have watched them grow from 3 to 33 in a year. Ann recently shared that her area is still developing and there is a possibility that she may have to go to a twice a month meeting. Her group has consistently donated numerous bibs, receiving blankets, sleepers, quilts and afghans. This group happens to have a member who is a long arm quilter and sometimes the quilts are worthy of a picture in a magazine. Ann helps at the Baby House often and donates a lot of time in helping in many other ways. Her guidance, patience, and “go for it” attitude is surely encouraging and obviously is the reason she is successful in adding new members.



*Being told You're Appreciated is one of the simplest and most incredible things you can ever hear...  
So we want you to know... WHWB Volunteers are Appreciated!!!!*

This memo was sent to All Group Leaders, requesting that it be read at all meetings:

From: JEAN JONES WHWB BOARD PRESIDENT

Re: APOLOGY

In the last WHWB newsletter, an article appeared on "Quality Control". The WHWB Board sincerely apologizes for this article as it was not our intention to offend or criticize the work of any of our Volunteers. Our organization would not be the success it is today without our dedicated Volunteers. We are very thankful for each and every one of you. We recognize the time, dedication and talent that goes into making our non-profit the success it is today.

We have a lot of new Volunteers in our Groups and questions are frequently asked about sizes, fabrics, yarn, etc. This article was meant as "instruction" and not "condemnation". We deeply regret if any of our Volunteers took offense to this article. It certainly was not our intention to criticize the wonderful work that is done by our Volunteers. We are very thankful for all the wonderful gifts that you provide for Colorado's needy babies

Your feedback was and always is appreciated – we will strive to be more sensitive in the future.

Jean Jones, WHWB Board President.

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**GRANTS AND DONATIONS HELP**

**DID YOU KNOW** that you can help Warm Hearts ~ Warm Babies get a grant for \$1000? From Applewood Heating and Electric? All you have to do is go to their website and vote. You can vote daily as many times as you want. At the end of the month the organization with the most votes wins the \$1000. Grant. There is absolutely NO obligation to buy. So will you help and make a difference in your local community? We can't do it without you!!! Please click the link below and get started voting today!!

You can find the entry form here....<https://www.applewoodfixit.com/12in12/>

**HELP WANTED**

Do you know anyone who has some experience in applying for GRANTS? WHWB could use some help in this field. We need a person who is experienced in filing various Grants. We need Grant Funds to help keep us operating and able to serve needy babies. Contact Glenda Bredeson at 303-975-6394 or Jean Jones at 303-239-6473.

Warm Hearts~Warm Babies Board values and appreciates our volunteers. The dedication and quality of our work reflects on all of the volunteers. Everything is not expected to be perfect, our wish is “if you wouldn’t put it on your own babies” maybe we shouldn’t be donating it. We realize that most of these mothers are happy for anything to dress their baby in, but remember this may be the only NEW clothes the baby ever has.

We have many new volunteers recently (approximately 35)...we want to reemphasize some preferences to our well-seasoned volunteers and make sure the new ones know the preferences of WHWB. We know that some of these will vary depending on quilt square sizes, type of yarn and tension on yarn when crocheting or knitting.

### **QUILTS**

Newborns –Size 36x36 to 45x45 inches

Preemie – These are not useful, as the NICUs don’t use them

### **AFGHANS**

Newborn -- Size 36x36 to 45x45 inches

Preemie – Size 25x25 to 30x30 inches

Yarn types -- soft knitting worsted or sport weight yarn --  
most colors that are not DARK

Bereavement -- Size 25X25 to 30X30 inches

Yarn types -- soft knitting worsted or sport weight yarn  
**white** and **pastels**

### **BOOTIES**

Newborn -- 3 ½ to 3 ¾ inches

Preemie – 2 ½ to 3 inches

Yarn Types – Baby\_soft knitting worsted or sport weight yarn

We are asking for white booties as we have many hats to match them with.

At this time we are in most need of newborn booties.

### **SUGGESTIONS**

- 1) If you are using old **patterns**, please get new copies from your workgroup coordinator or off of the website. Over times of cutting patterns often become distorted and out- of - shape.
- 2) Check completed items before they are turned in, for **pins**. We wouldn’t want a baby to be picked.
- 3) Cut **threads** on completed items
- 4) Weave in the yarn ends...we have had some that have come unraveled.
- 5) Please no **double- sided flannel quilts**. If in doing this, you are making one quilt, when you could make two receiving blankets.

Please if there are any questions, comments or concerns about what is presented above please call or email me: Glenda Bredeson – 303-975-6394 – [colokidz@aol.com](mailto:colokidz@aol.com) (subject WHWB) so we can all stay on the same page —“**Donating to our needy babies**”.

## CRAFT FAIR HELP NEEDED

Our Craft Fair coordinators are beginning to ask for help. It is time to sign up volunteers to help out at the Craft Fairs.

The Craft fairs will be starting soon and we need to sign up a list of Volunteers. Helping out is easy. You commit to 2 – 4 hours and you talk about WHWB to anyone who comes by our Booth. Our items for sale have a price on them and you can sell them easily, No hard sell for us because people love babies.

In the past an announcement to request help had been made at the Arvada Work Group meeting because the Craft fair locations were mostly in this area. But now, it seems we have two new Craft Show locations in Littleton can you help at Columbine High School and/or Dakota Ridge. Are there any volunteers who live in that direction that would be willing to help out 2-4 hours?

Yes, we need assistance at the Evergreen location and hope that the 285 work group is still willing to help. Volunteers are also needed at Jeffco Fair grounds, Arvada Community Center and a few more see list below. Please contact the Lori Kratzer at 720-339-1678.

### Craft Shows 2017

Assumption School - October 7th & 8th  
Family in Christ Community Church  
October 27th & 28th  
Arvada Recreation Center - November 2nd,  
3rd, & 4th  
St. Martha's Episcopal Church – Nov. 4th  
Columbine High School - November 11th  
Evergreen - November 11th & 12th  
Jefferson County Fair Grounds - December  
1st & 2nd  
Skystone, To be determined

## Reindeer Ornament Bells

One of the most popular items that were sold at the craft Fairs last year was a Reindeer ornament. We want to make more this year BUT the cost of the Bell that is used as its body is sometimes pricey. Will you – anyone- look at your Hobby Lobby or Michaels For a Round 4inch Jingle bell? It has 4 key slot openings, for the legs. Any color is fine, silver, gold, red blue green etc.; use your 40% coupon. We are asking for a donation of the bells. Sometimes sold as a door decoration and have three bells on the ribbon.



A picture is worth a thousand words, they say.

### CRAFT SHOW WORKSHOPS

September 28th and October 26th

10 am to 2 pm, at the Baby House

Questions: Call Lori Kratzer 720-339-1678

## CRAFT FAIR REQUEST

One of the creative items for the Craft Fair is a wreath made from Wine Corks. Group Leader Lyn Hente recently donated a wreath decorated with wine bottle corks. We would like to make more for the craft fairs, but it takes A LOT of corks. Anyone willing to donate wine bottle corks can bring them to the baby house (Tues or Friday) or contact Lori Kratzer at 720-339-1678. We are also in need of Altoid Mint tins, and 3" to 4" Teddy Bears.

### ***Turn it in and maybe win!***

WHWB is currently promoting a  
**BEST DECORATED Sweatshirt /or  
Sweatshirt Jacket Contest**

*This is your opportunity to win a cash prize of \$50.00, It's easy, and only takes a bit of creative talent. We have creative talent in every one of our volunteers who sew, knit, crochet etc., etc.*

*Please decorate a sweatshirt with anything you want, a flower, a bird, a deer, or a scene. Make a cluster of crocheted flowers and sew them onto the front of a sweatshirt, for example. We currently have two entries and want more to make it a fun and interesting, contest. You can enter more than once, and a non- biased judge will determine the winner. Take a chance and join the fun. After the winner is selected you can donate it to the Craft Fairs.*

## PRE-CUT SQUARES

Does anyone want some pre-cut squares to make quilts? Several- numerous- many were donated to the Baby house. We have a plastic tote full.

Anyone who wants to work with them is welcome to take some or many. Some of them are already in a sandwich bag or some are loose and you can mix and match. Along with that, we have fabric in totes that you can take to use for backing.

If you haven't visited the Baby house and you need yarn, fabric, knit fabric, lace or ribbon, you are more than welcome to come and take some. Any Tuesday or Friday is always open. Also, be careful we might put you to work making a layette or two.

## THANK YOU NOTES KEEP COMING

Patricia and Nancy, Please pass along our appreciation to Warm Hearts~Warm Babies for the beautiful blankets. The moms are always so excited to pick out a blanket for their baby!

Blessings, Vicki, Life Choices.

Dear Warm Hearts ~ Warm Babies,  
Thank you so much for your donation of 8 "newborn" bags to our Nurse Family Partnership program for Weld County! Many of our moms will be so excited to receive these gift bags for their new babies!

Amy Asher & Team ,  
NNFP Supervisor, Weld County Nurses.

Warm Hearts~Warm Babies,

Thank you for your continued support to Healthy Beginnings and all the wonderful blankets you provide!

Bless you All,  
Denise

Dear Warm Hearts~Warm Babies Group,  
Thank you all so very much for the generous donation of warm, cozy blankets. These blankets provide our little ones with moments of much-needed warmth & comfort in an unpredictable world. It's folks like you who make our community great.

*Thank you! Whitney Haney, Footprints Counselor, The Denver Hospice; Agwosh Gorse, Thank you and Thank you for your kindness & support, Kristen, Grief Counselor*

### **We need White Newborn Booties!**

We have a lot of Hats. See below, only one tote has hats and booties matched. It's hard to see but the other totes say "HATS, NO BOOTIES". HEELLLP !





## THANK YOU TO OUR DONORS

### Individuals:

Emily Myers – fabric  
Debbie Lands – Baby shower  
Ms. Forsyth- Sweaters, hats,  
Carol Harper – blankets, hats, bibs  
Anne-Marie/ Kathy - totes, fabric, yarn  
Chuck Abel – fabric, embroidery, supplies,  
patterns, dress  
Lynore Cohen – hats  
Dorothy Campbell – monetary  
Marguerita Goffi – afghans  
Theresa Salazar – afghans  
Sara Ben Joseph – blankets, fabric, clothes  
Betty Wallace – hats  
Valerie Soto - Lace, zippers, fabric  
Pricilla Otero – yarn  
Kevin Livingston – blankets , fabric  
Joyce Livingston – blankets  
Monica Dozier – sleepers, onesies  
Scott Cook – fabric  
Gretchen Dewey – hats, blankets  
Gaylene Salzter – blankets  
Emma Kemper - fabric  
Guinlyn – blankets  
Lynette Yokoyama – blankets  
Vicktorina Strating – sleepers, sweaters, toys  
booties, onesies, clothes  
Diane Friel – afghans  
Charlotte Mai – clothes  
Ms. Wagley – monetary  
Stephanie Smart – monetary  
Gloria Segvie – Afghan

### Groups

Knights of Columbus #3340 - monetary,  
Steve Peterson (Thrivent) – monetary  
Holy Shepherd Busy Bees – blankets, clothes

### In Memory

Nancy Staup – in memory of David Butler

We greatly appreciate all of our donors and volunteers,  
without you our organization would not exist. Please know  
that if your name was left off our list it was unintentional  
and all of your efforts are valued and appreciated.

## DELIVERY REPORT, July and August 2017

### Number of Agencies Per Month

July --- 31      August --- 40

Total Number of Different Agencies ---38

### Items Donated Each Month

\* July -- 5095      # August -- 8362

Total Items Donated --- 13,477

### Agencies

# First Visitor (CS)  
# Hospice (Denver – Footprints)  
# Jeffco Action  
# Jeffco Nurses  
# Life Choices (Westminster)  
# Lutheran Hospital NICU  
# Lutheran Hospital Social Worker  
# Lutheran Hospital Solace Coordinator  
# Peak Vista Breast Feeding Coalition  
# Weld County Nurses  
# C.S. Ronald McDonald House  
# Fountain School District  
# Parkview Medical Center  
# St. Mary Corwin Hospital, (Pueblo)  
\* Bright by Three  
\* Hospice (Loveland)  
\* Life Support (C.S.)  
\* Rocky Mountain Children’s Hospital PSL  
\* Servicio de La Raza  
\* St. Augustine Food Pantry (Brighton)  
\* # Riverside Baptist Church Pregnancy Center  
\* # Arising Hope  
\* # Aurora MCPN  
\* # Aurora Nurse Midwives  
\* # Birthline (Loveland)  
\* # Children’s Hospital  
\* # Children’s Hospital Oncology  
\* # Denver Medical Center  
\* # Denver Medical Peri-Natal Loss  
\* # Denver Ronald McDonald House  
\* # Growing Home  
\* # Healthy Beginnings (Loveland)  
\* # Inner City Services  
\* # Life Choices (Longmont)  
\* # Life Choices (Loveland)  
\* # Longmont Hospital  
\* # Loveland Pregnancy Center  
\* # McKee Medical Center (Loveland)  
\* # One Nation Walking (C.S.)  
\* # Platte Valley Medical Center  
\* # Pregnancy Center (C.S.)  
\* # Salud Clinics  
\* # University Hospital Mother and Infant  
\* # University Hospital Neo Natal Loss  
\* # University Hospital NICU

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## WORKGROUPS

**Arvada Work Group:** Meets 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of the month from 9:30 am to 2:00 pm Meets at the King of Glory Lutheran Church 10001 W. 58th Ave., Arvada (58th and Kipling-east door) Contact Glenda: COLOKIDZ@aol.com. Bring a potluck dish, your machine and scissors.

**Aurora Work Group:** Meets the 3<sup>rd</sup> Mon. of each month, 9am – Noon at Above & Beyond in Centennial. Please contact Kathy Williams at pkwms75@gmail.com or 303-917-7424, if you are interested in joining.

**Brighton Work Group:** Meets 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the month 9:00 am to 2:30 pm Meets at Seventh-day Adventist Church, 567 Bromley Lane, Brighton; Contact Carol: chesneyc@aol.com Bring a dish to share at our potluck at noon.

**Colorado Springs Work Group:** Meets 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday at Faith Presbyterian Church, 1529 N. Circle Dr. Contact: Lyn Hente at 719-499-0415 for what to bring.

**Loveland Work Group:** Meets 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month at 10:00am. Meet at: Church of the Nazarene 807 W. 29th St. Loveland. Contact Judy: our2pets@msn.com or Karen at the church: 970-667-4323 for more information.

**Southlands Work Group:** Meets at 5:30pm ;2<sup>nd</sup> Tues of the month, Sewing & 4<sup>th</sup> Thurs.. for Needle Arts Contact Gisela Stout 720-373-3180 or [Gisela.stout@outlook.com](mailto:Gisela.stout@outlook.com)

**Thornton Work Group** Meets at Above and Beyond Sewing and Vacuum 3987 E. 120th Ave. Thornton. Contact Lori Kratzer at 720-273-1687 or Lorijkratzer@hotmail.com for details.

**285 Corridor (Aspen Park) Work Group:** Meets 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday each month at St Laurence Episcopal Church, Fellowship Hall. Contact: Helen Hood at insmont@wispartel.net

**Skystone Work Group:** Broomfield, Meets 1<sup>st</sup> Tues. of the Month, 10 a.m., In the Lodge, Contact Ann C. Brockman, 303-883-0999 [acgrandmaco@hotmail.com](mailto:acgrandmaco@hotmail.com).

**Windsor Gardens Work Group:** Meets at Windsor Gardens , Near Alameda & Havana. Every 2<sup>nd</sup> Thurs. of the month in the Sewing Room. 10 am – 2 pm. Contact Barb Achenbach, [Ilove2sewbarb@gmail.com](mailto:Ilove2sewbarb@gmail.com)

( Want to start a workgroup? See the volunteer section at [whwbnewsletter@aol.com](mailto:whwbnewsletter@aol.com) )

Questions or comments please contact us: Mail :6429D Miller St. Arvada, CO 80004 (letters) P. O. Box 830 Arvada, CO 80001 (packages) By phone: 303-975-6394 or 303-601-9276

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Note: The newsletter is posted on our web site no later than the 5th of each month. The deadline for an article is by the 15<sup>th</sup> of the month

**THANK YOU !**

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### Our Mission Statement

**Warm Hearts ~ Warm Babies** provides clothing, blankets, and other essential items to premature and newborn infants, and young children, in crisis, free of charge.

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