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Global Links and Western PA Diaper Bank to Host Free Drive-Up Diaper Distribution on Saturday, June 21, 2025 at Clairton Park Pool

Event, supported by Phillips Charitable Foundation, Inc, supports families and caregivers experiencing financial hardship

(PITTSBURGH) June 12, 2025 -- In support of local families experiencing financial hardship, local nonprofit organizations Global Links and Western PA Diaper Bank (WPDB), with support from the Phillips Charitable Foundation, will host a drive-up diaper distribution event on **Saturday, June 21, 2025, from 8:30 am - 10:30 am** at **Clairton Park Pool**, 436 Freemont St, Clairton.

Families and caregivers of young children are invited to line up by car to receive approximately a one-month supply of children's diapers per household. Parents and caregivers will have the option of choosing up to two different sizes of diapers. Sizes 1-6 will be available.

Cathy Battle, Founder and Executive Director of the Western PA Diaper Bank, states, "It has never been more expensive to raise a child. Diaper costs increased 25% over the last two years. The NDBN Diaper Check 2024 found that 46.7% of U.S. families with young children struggle to afford diapers, and 1 in 4 parents miss work or school because they can't afford the diapers needed for childcare, leading to financial and professional consequences.

"Diaper need affects families across income levels, with 66% of families reporting diaper need categorized as low-income, 28% as middle-income, and 6% as high-income. Infants use 8-12 diapers per day and a toddler uses 6 to 8 diapers per day. No one should have to choose between buying diapers or buying food. As always, the need is much greater than the supply. Thanks to the Phillips Charitable Foundation, and to everyone who has supported the Diaper Bank and the many babies and families we serve."

"Diapers are necessary to keep babies healthy, yet they are expensive and are not covered by SNAP benefits," says Global Links Executive Director Angela Garcia. "Families who are struggling financially make tough choices, but not being able to adequately diaper their baby should not be one of them. Global Links is proud to collaborate with the Western PA Diaper Bank to host our first large-scale distribution in the Clairton community."

WHAT: Free drive-up diaper distribution to families in need

WHEN: Saturday, June 21, 2025

8:30 am - 10:30 am (rain or shine)

WHERE: Clairton Park Pool

436 Fremont Street, Clairton 15025

WHO: Global Links and Western PA Diaper Bank, with support from Phillips Charitable Foundation, Inc

About Global Links

Global Links is a Pittsburgh-based non-profit dedicated to improving health in communities with need. Global Links collaborates with U.S. healthcare institutions and the community to rescue hundreds of tons of high-quality surplus medical materials every year. These materials are shared with public health facilities around the world and with non-profit organizations in Western Pennsylvania that are providing care for their community's most vulnerable people. **Global Links. Sharing Surplus. Saving Lives.**

For more information, visit www.GlobalLinks.org.

About Western Pennsylvania Diaper Bank

Western Pennsylvania Diaper Bank is giving hope to families by addressing basic needs. As the region's only basic needs bank, it combats diaper need, period poverty, and incontinence for families in crisis through its advocacy and distribution programs. Western Pennsylvania Diaper Bank partners with over 70 social service agencies and community partners in Allegheny, Beaver, Cambria, Fayette, Greene, Washington, and Westmoreland counties. In 2024 they distributed 2.7 million diapers, half a million period products and 100,000 incontinence supplies to neighbors in need. Co-founder and Executive Director Cathy Battle has received recognition for her organizational dedication, including the 2024 Athena award, and three consecutive Jefferson Awards, one of which she shares with her husband and Diaper Bank Co founder Pastor Phillip Battle. This reflects the amazing community of donors, volunteers, and partners who help make their work impactful. Together they are creating real change.

For additional information, please visit www.wpadiaperbank.org.

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