#### **HOST A DIAPER DRIVE!**

- 1. Get your place of work involved.
- 2. Get your faith based organization involved.
- 3. Get your school involved.
- 4. Get your club involved.
- 5. Get your neighborhood involved.
- 6. Get your civic group involved.
- 7. Get a non-profit involved.
- 8. Get your friends and family involved (throw a party).
- 9. In lieu of gifts or favors for weddings, birthdays, and baby showers ask for diapers for PDX Diaper Bank.

## SPREAD THE WORD! GAIN SUPPORT AND INVOLMENT IN YOUR DIAPER DRIVE

- 10. Teams and committees have more fun, and it will be helpful if you have someone to toss ideas around with. Ask for help.
- 11. Create a team based on those who show up to work early on a pre-determined day.
- 12. Offer your team members incentives for helping with the drive.
- 13. Invite the Diaper Bank to come and talk to your agency about how your drive will impact the community.
- 14. Provide diaper discount coupons to everyone (available online regularly).
- 15. Let your employees know about the drive by including a flyer with their paycheck.
- 16. Send out local sale notices for diapers.

## SET GOALS FOR YOUR DIAPER DRIVE

- 17. Create a chart, or "thermometer" to track your progress.
- 18. Adopt a specific agency who is receiving diapers from PDX Diaper Bank and set a goal to provide all their diapers for the year.
- 19. Set a per employee/person goal of 100 diapers (a one week supply for infants).
- 20. Set a goal to stuff the office or a company vehicle.
- 21. Stuff the boss's office so they can't even get through the door.
- 22. Build a structure using your collected packages: a house, a car, a baby buggy, a wall, or the "leaning tower of Pi-pee."
- 23. Create multi-day donation surprise goals such as awarding individuals that give 1 package of diapers every day.
- 24. Set a poundage goal.
- 25. Run a year long drive where everyone is asked to bring diapers to a monthly meeting, and discuss what people paid.
- 26. Host a kick-off event to advertise your drive and your goals.
- 27. Have a raffle to set your goal using the digits on the ticket selected as the number for the drive.
- 28. Roll a dice to select the diaper goal.

#### SHARE INFORMATION ABOUT PDX DIAPER BANK AND THE DIAPER NEED

- 29. Create a Diaper Quiz that can be shared with drive participants.
- 30. Email daily facts about PDX Diaper Bank.
- 31. Post PDX Diaper Bank facts around your office including the break room, bathrooms, and inside company vehicles.

#### PROVIDE INTERNAL INCENTIVES

- 32. Department, group and team competitions. Maybe a pizza party for the winner.
- 33. Give the winners an extra dress down day.
- 34. Let the loosing team coordinate next year's drive.
- 35. The team that brings in the most size \_\_\_\_ diapers wins a secret prize.
- 36. Give out trophies.
- 37. Buy prizes for winners.
- 38. Offer float days or early out days to winning team members.
- 39. Offer a "boss" for the day for the individual that brings the most diapers.
- 40. Offer free incentives like free entrance, or free memberships.
- 41. Provide discounts for diapers. Last year, a pizza company gave a \$1 discount to anyone who brought in a package of diapers.

## SET A THEME AND CREATE A DIAPER DROP OFF AREA

- 42. Use a creative theme like "Diaper's Rock and Roll" and use 50s sock hop decorations.
- 43. Use a creative theme like "Disco for Diapers" and use 70s disco decorations.
- 44. Use a creative theme like "Diaper Roundup" and use western decorations.
- 45. Use a creative theme like "Diaper Luau" and use luau decorations.
- 46. Use a creative theme like "Winter Diaperland" and use holiday decorations.
- 47. Use a creative theme like "New Year's Baby" and use New Year decorations.
- 48. Use collected diapers for events (in the package) like a diaper maze.
- 49. Use a playpen to collect diapers.

- 50. Use a classic theme to include baby shower decorations.
- 51. Wrap collection boxes in themed wrapping paper.
- 52. Use "directional" decorations that lead people to your collection area. Think inside and outside of the office.
- 53. Decorate a company vehicle as the collection area with a "stuff the truck" theme.

#### INVOLVE YOUR COMPETITION OR PARTNERS

- 54. Challenge your business competition to a diaper drive competition.
- 55. Challenge neighboring businesses/nonprofit s or other groups to a competition.
- 56. Build collective goals for a larger drive.
- 57. Host challenge events where you update your clients and the public on your drive competition.

## **ADVERTISE YOUR DRIVE**

- 58. Advertise in your newsletter.
- 59. Send flyers home as paycheck stuffers.
- 60. Place flyers around your building.
- 61. Add a reminder about your drive to your email signature.
- 62. Put it on your letterhead for one month every year (this way you can make an annual commitment).
- 63. Put a "yard sign" out in front of your business or home.
- 64. Create a social media site for your drive like Facebook or Blogspot and link to your website.

## **SHARE YOUR PROGRESS**

- 65. Take pictures of your collection area and post them around the office to show off your progress.
- 66. Have team members do a daily count and announce over your intercom system or e-mail your progress.
- 67. Use a "thermometer" poster to track your progress and post in a prominent area.
- 68. Add a "diaper drive" section to your website where you track your progress.
- 69. Use a "town crier" (dress up) to walk through the office and announce your progress.
- 70. Web cam your collection site to show off your progress.
- 71. Update your social media sites with your progress.

## **ENCOURAGE AND GATHER FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTIONS DURING YOUR DIAPER DRIVE**

- 72. Have your company make a donation for each new account opened during the drive, or for each unit of sales, etc.
- 73. Gain a matching contribution if your company has this program. We can easily estimate the dollar value of the diapers your company collects. If your company wishes to do a corporate match, we are happy to buy the diapers for you at wholesale!
- 74. Place a cash/change contribution jar in the break room. Those pennies and dimes add up fast.
- 75. At every meeting you host during the month of your drive ask attendees to empty their spare change.
- 76. Anyone who shows up late to work during the month of your drive makes a financial contribution of \$1 per minute late.

# **SPECIAL IDEAS FOR SPECIAL AGENCIES**

- 77. Elder Care facilities and lawyers- provide a flyer of information about PDX Diaper Bank and drop off locations to families having recently lost a loved one, so that they may donate incontinence supplies.
- 78. Grocery Stores- Ask customers to donate \$1 and have their name printed on a package of diapers card.
- 79. Bookstores- Create bookmarks given out with purchases to advertise your drive to distribute to your constituents.
- 80. Yoga Studios- Host a drive during the 101 Sun Salutations during Summer Solstice.
- 81. Bloggers- Host an online diaper drive using the Amazon wishlist.

## AFTER THE DRIVE (ENCOURAGE "NEXT TIME" SYNDROME)

- 82. Send thank you notes to all of those that participated.
- 83. Award special contributors.
- 84. Thank your team for helping conduct the drive.
- 85. Schedule your next drive with PDX Diaper Bank.
- 86. Count the diapers and advertise your results to everyone!
- 87. Arrange to drop off your diapers at PDX Diaper Bank.

# CREATE A LASTING RELATIONSHIP WITH THE DIAPER BANK TO ENSURE FUTURE DRIVES EXCEL

- 88. Provide a list of drive winners and their contact information to PDX Diaper Bank- Individuals will be added to email newsletters.
- 89. Adopt the Diaper Bank as your "Charity of Choice." It will make your next drive more successful if everyone is "all in."
- 90. Loan PDX Diaper Bank your skills. Volunteers are always welcome.

## SPECIAL CONSIDERATIONS FOR YOUR DRIVE

- The biggest need is for children's diapers is sizes 4-6. Adult diapers in large.
- July-September: fewest drives/greatest need. Donations are low in the summer so diapers are purchased to meet the need.