

Infant Care Kits are a make and/or collect project for individuals and groups to help new mamas welcome their precious babies born at Peredo Community Hospital.



# infant CARE KITS

 Invite your friends, church, group, or sewing club to help!

 Make or collect Infant Care Kit items.

- 2 lightweight cotton T-shirts *size 6-24 months*
- 2 gowns or sleepers, no feet *long or short sleeve*
- 4 cloth diapers *not waterproof*
- 2-4 diaper pins
- 4 cloth wipes/washcloths
- 2 bars of gentle soap *4-5 oz. or bath size, in original packaging*
- 2 pairs of baby socks
- 1 burp cloth/hand towel
- 1-2 receiving blankets *up to 36" square cotton, flannel, crochet or knit w/ lightweight yarn*

 Make it a gift for someone really special.

Items can be new, handmade, or gently used\*. Everything in the kit should be nice enough you would be proud to give it to your own children or grandchildren to wear/use.

\*If including gently used items, please follow these requirements:

- Freshly laundered
- No stains, fading, or excessive wear.
- The item has a lot of use/life left in it.
- The item is not outdated, style-wise.

 Place all items in a 2-gallon zip top bag.

 Send them to us at:

Haitian Christian Outreach  
PO Box 6355  
Kokomo, IN 46904

## Project Details

### Should I make or buy the items?

Items can be handmade, gently used\*, or purchased. Please provide items that fit our listed requirements. If you love to sew, make as much as you'd like. If you don't sew, have fun shopping! Get others involved. Many hands make light work!

### Can I send a partial kit? I prefer to only make one or two items.

We are only able to accept completed kits that are ready to go to new mamas in Haiti. If you are unable to complete the kit(s) on your own, we encourage you to partner with another group or church to complete the kit(s).

### Why t-shirts instead of onesies? And why should the gowns/sleepers not have any feet?

T-shirts and gowns without feet allow the clothing items to fit longer as the baby grows.

### What pattern should I use?

Pinterest and the internet are full of cute patterns for sleepers, gowns, diapers, reusable cloth wipes, receiving blankets, and burp cloths/towels. Be creative, but be sure to follow our requirements for items! Check out our blog for some ideas.

### What is the best fabric or yarn?

Light to medium-weight cottons, flannels or yarn is best. Avoid heavy fabrics and yarns as they can make for hot clothing and blankets. Terry cloth is a nice option for the burp cloth/hand towel.

### Why do you ask for diapers that are not waterproof?

Waterproof diapers and/or covers can trap moisture and heat which can lead to diaper rash in Haiti's tropical climate.



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