

## How You Can Help...

Consider joining my volunteer network of people to help make and distribute handmade items for a newborn baby's early needs. I have patterns for all sorts of handmade items: caps, booties, dresses, baby bubble suits, receiving blankets, bibs, burping pads, soft toys, quilts, and bottle covers.

These items will be collected and then distributed to pregnancy crisis centers and maternity homes so that they can be readily available, without cost, to those mothers and babies who need them.

To make it work, I need volunteers to help with the production. Won't you consider joining me?



## CONTACT

If you are interested and would like more information (including patterns and 'Miracles Happen Guidelines'), please contact:

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Donations payable to 'Miracles Happen...' and sent to the above address would be appreciated.

Or visit my web site for information and patterns:

<http://www.miracleshappen.us>



Sometimes, when a woman is pregnant, she experiences feelings of confusion, she may feel scared, or helpless. Her whole world is changing and she doesn't know what to do. Many women have their own resources (family, friends, medical professionals) to turn to in this time of need. But many do not.

Staff at pregnancy crisis centers and maternity homes are there to listen to these women, to share their concerns, and to offer real hope for their future.

Miracles Happen is a network of volunteers who make and distribute handmade items for a baby's early needs.

Here's how you can help...

## Pregnancy Crisis Centers and Maternity Homes may...

- Offer free pregnancy tests
- Provide a 24-hour emergency hotline
- Provide housing
- Give ongoing support and friendship
- Help arrange for good medical care
- Offer prenatal & postnatal guidance
- Furnish maternity clothes and baby needs
- Provide adoption information
- Help with planning for the mother and baby's future
- Sponsor a support group
- Provide birth control counseling



The people who provide help at pregnancy crisis centers and maternity homes are volunteers and staff from all walks of life, working quietly to offer pregnant women a chance to give birth with dignity and pride.

They are people who care. They know that they are providing services for women facing perhaps the greatest personal crisis in their lives. And they are there to help.

## GUIDELINES

- Criteria for the baby items:
  1. Preferably handmade\*\*
  2. Preferably new\*\*
  3. Preferably washable
- Ideas
  1. Softer yarns and fabrics are more comfortable
  2. Label items that contain wool
  3. Recycle clean towels by using them to make bibs and burping pads

See the website for complete guidelines and patterns.

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*\*\* Nearly new or new baby items of all types will be accepted and distributed to pregnancy crisis centers and maternity homes for their needs.*