



LITTLE BOTTOMS  
free store



# 2020-2021 Impact Report

## OUR MISSION

Little Bottoms Free Store provides diapers, wipes, and baby clothes to families in the Central Ohio area for children 0-3 years old. Our goal is to create a supportive community, providing basic needs and sharing resources.



# 39,847 DIAPERS

given away so far in 2021

THAT'S A LOT  
OF LITTLE BOTTOMS

## MORE THAN JUST DIAPERS

### 2021 YEAR-TO-DATE

Jan-Oct, 2021



1134 FAMILIES



1618 CHILDREN



130 VOLUNTEERS



6864 OUTFITS



1103 WIPES



1771 BAGS OF  
DIAPERS



It takes more than diapers, wipes, and clothes to care for a child. Throughout the year, we have also provided blankets, swimsuits, shoes, coats, and more. Baby gear is important too!

That's why, once a month, we open the downstairs to provide larger items like strollers, highchairs, pack n' plays, baby baths, baby beds, changing tables, playmats, exercisers, and more to our member families. We also provide bags of toys and books once a month, as well as open our maternity closet for pregnant mothers.



1500 BOOKS

In January, we celebrated "Read to Your Child" month. We partnered with an Usborne Book Representative who hosted a donation drive in support of childhood literacy. Thanks to our partnership, we gave out 1500 new children's books to our families, along with information on programming for toddlers at Columbus Metropolitan Library's local branches.

We also celebrate our moms! For Mother's Day this year, one of our volunteers gathered supplies to offer a small gift of perfume to each of our mothers. We know it takes a village to raise a child, and we love supporting our families in any way we can throughout the year.

## 2022 GOAL: \$50,000

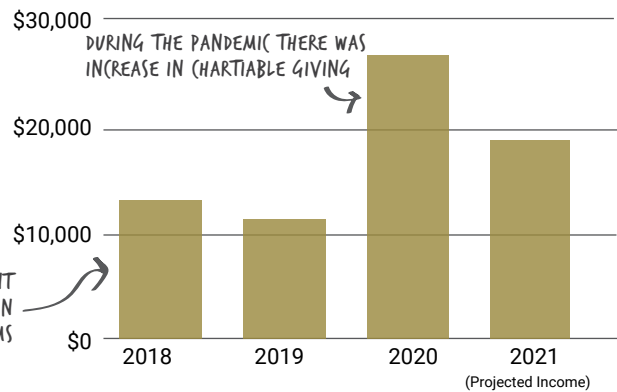
Raising this additional funding will support Little Bottoms moving towards sustainability, impacting even more families and children next year and beyond.

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FROM THE TRINITY FOUNDATION  
TO LAUNCH LITTLE BOTTOMS

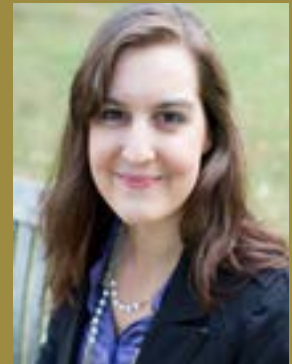
## GIVING TO LITTLE BOTTOMS PER YEAR



Donations fuel our ministry. Learn more how you can support this work through financial and in-kind donations by scanning the QR code or going to [littlebottoms.org/donate](https://littlebottoms.org/donate)

## MEET HEIDI, OUR NEW OPERATIONS DIRECTOR

Meet Heidi! She loves good conversations (especially over good coffee!), baking fancy treats, the beach, finding deals at yard sales, reading theology books, and exploring Columbus' metro parks. The life, work, ministry, and radical welcome and friendship of Christ has transformed Heidi's life. As a result, she has been volunteering and working with marginalized populations since 2008. Heidi brings over a decade of non-profit leadership and marketing experience to the Little Bottoms Free Store team. Heidi holds a B.A. in Media Communications from Asbury University and a M.A. in Theology from Fuller Theological



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She has a passion for cultivating non-profit startups, equipping change-makers, and empowering women. In addition to her leadership of Little Bottoms Free Store, Heidi serves as a founding board member of the Westerville Queer Collective and the founder of LOVEboldly, a faith-based nonprofit working to create a better world and church for LGBTQIA+ individuals. She also serves as a Jr. Fellow for Innovation Ohio and the Women's Public Policy Network, advocating for gender and racial equity with a special focus on workplace equity, accessible and affordable childcare, and ending violence against women and girls. Heidi lives with her husband Steven and two young daughters, Felicity and Violet, in Westerville.



# COMMUNITY BABY SHOWER

On Saturday June 12, 2021, at Glenwood Community Center, Celebrate One and Little Bottoms hosted a Community Baby Shower. Families who were expecting a new baby, or had children less than 1 year old, drove through the parking lot at Glenwood to receive gifts and information from numerous community resources. These resources included: Little Bottoms, Celebrate One, the YMCA, Hilltop.org, Franklinton.org, Lower Lights, Moderna Health Care, CareSource, Columbus Metropolitan Library, etc.

Little Bottoms volunteers packed **100 new Diaper Bags**, **15 Dad Back Packs**, and **100 Gifts Bags** for families with new babies. The bags included a Baby Sleep Book, Pacifiers, Changing Pads, Sippy Cups, Wipes, Lotion, Shampoo, and Hand Sanitizer.

Each car received popcorn, cookies, and flavored ice cones, and picked a large item ticket to receive gifts like Pack'n'Plays, highchairs, strollers, baby swings, toys, a wagon full of goodies, etc.

Little Bottoms packed and supplied **4,000 diapers**, as well as **100 gift bags** that included a new Bib and Pacifier Clip, and recruited **31 volunteers** to help at the event.



## SERVING NEW AMERICANS

A member of our church is friends with a family who recently immigrated to the US through the Mexican border. After being released from a detention center in Texas, the family was able to get tickets to Columbus, where they have moved into a basement of a friend. They had nothing but a mattress, and reached out for help.



Little Bottoms supported this family and their two-year-old child, providing clothing, supplies, toys, a winter coat, and even bus passes to ensure their family could access necessary resources while awaiting their appointment with ICE.