



URGENT -- VIRTUAL DRIVE FOR THE GABRIEL PROJECT

The Gabriel Project Cluster of Montgomery County is an all-volunteer non-profit that helps low-income pregnant women and their children. **The Gabriel Project provides much-needed practical support to these families, including help in paying for prenatal care, cribs, strollers, clothing, grocery cards, diapers, formula, baby equipment, and other essential items.**

As you know, the Coronavirus pandemic and economic crisis have had a devastating impact on many low-income families, including those served by the Gabriel Project, many of whom are immigrants struggling to support their families. As a result, the need for the Gabriel Project's services has grown exponentially this year.

Here are a few comparisons that show the increase in need:

- From June through August 2020, the Gabriel Project started serving 61 new families, compared to 31 new families during that period in 2019.
- The Gabriel Project provided \$13,395 in co-pays for prenatal care during these months in 2020, compared to \$2,000 in 2019.
- The Gabriel Project also provided over 24,000 diapers to families from June through August 2020, compared to just over 9,000 during 2019.

Although the need has clearly never been greater, major sources of financial support for the Gabriel Project unfortunately are not available right now. For example, annual school and parish "baby bottle" fundraising events that typically provide critically needed funds for the Gabriel Project cannot take place this year because of the pandemic. The same is true for diaper drives and collections of baby equipment and clothing that normally would replenish the Gabriel Project's supplies.

That's why we're asking for your help in providing some of the financial and material resources that are so needed by the families served by the Gabriel Project. There are two easy ways to help:

- **Donate to the Gabriel Project through its website: www.gpmoco.org**
- **Donate baby gear, diapers, clothing, and other essential supplies: [GP Amazon Charity List](#)**

The Gabriel Project is an all-volunteer organization with very low overhead, so your support will make a direct impact on the lives of needy families and will be truly appreciated. If you would like more information about the Gabriel Project and its services, please check out the website at www.gpmoco.org or email info@gpmoco.org with any questions.

Thank you so much for your consideration!