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City-Wide Diaper Drive Will Benefit Head Start Families

ROCKFORD, III. – Mayor Tom McNamara and his wife Sarah Reed-McNamara announced the start of a Diaper Drive to benefit the families of our Head Start program. The drive will run from February 14-29.

Last fall, the City opened a new Parent and Community Engagement (PACE) Center as part of the Head Start program. Realizing that diapers are a huge expense for families in that program, the City, through grant funds, provides diapers during the time children are in the center. The center uses 2,000 per month. The drive will help stock the center and some diapers will be distributed to these families to take home.

“As parents of two toddlers, we know the importance of early childhood education and the Head Start program,” says Sarah. “We don’t want families to struggle with the basic necessities, so it was important to us to create a diaper drive for our community.”

Any size diapers or pull-ups can be dropped off at the following locations:

City Hall
425 E. State St.

YWCA
4990 E. State St.

Javon Bea Hospital - Riverside
8201 E. Riverside Blvd.

Javon Bea Hospital - Rockton
2400 N. Rockton Ave.

SwedishAmerican Hospital
1401 E. State St.

SwedishAmerican Creekside Medical Center
3505 North Bell School Road

OSF Saint Anthony Medical Center
5666 E. State St. (Main Lobby)

The diaper drive is sponsored by the City of Rockford and 23 WIFR.

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