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MNWT Statewide Project/2018-2019 Buckets of Sunshine

\*\*\*\*\***BREAKING NEWS**\*\*\*\*\*

**Breast Milk for Babies has changed their name to:**

**Minnesota Milk Bank for Babies**  
[www.mnmilkbank.org](http://www.mnmilkbank.org)

**Follow them on Facebook for updates on construction, events and cute baby pictures!!**

**One of their goals is to establish a Minnesota Milk Bank for Babies and that goal has been reached! So exciting!!**

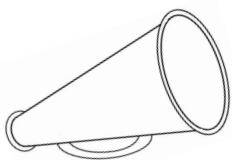
**The paperwork has been signed and construction has begun. The site is clean and ready for work. One step closer to the goal of helping babies close to home!**

**What is a donor human milk bank?**

Mothers who are breastfeeding often have extra breast milk. A milk bank is a facility which processes human donor milk for distribution to infants who need breast milk. The donated milk is gently pasteurized, tested for bacteria, frozen and then stored until it is shipped to health care facilities.

**What is the difference between a human donor milk bank and a milk depot?**

A milk depot is a place where mothers can bring their extra milk to donate for other babies. The collected milk is transported to the milk bank for processing and distribution. Each human milk depot is affiliated with an established milk bank.



**ANNOUNCING** new locations scheduled to open. MN Milk for Babies needs your help in purchasing a freezer for the new Milk Depots.

**Allina Hospitals: Unity, Mercy, Abbott, Hastings and Buffalo are moving forward**

Is your chapter close to one of these locations? Would you be willing to purchase a freezer or partner with another chapter to sponsor? How about your District pooling resources and sponsoring a freezer? Cost for one freezer is \$300.00.

You will receive recognition on the MN Milk Bank Facebook page, website, invitation to attend the ribbon cutting ceremony and a plaque will be applied stating the freezer was donated by MNWT!!

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## Support Minnesota Milk for Babies

### Chapter Project Ideas

\*Help create “thank you” gift bags to honor the mothers when they donate their breast milk. We will be collecting items for the gift bags like Breast Milk storage bags (no Lansinoh they break too easily), Lip balm, small bottles of lotion, diaper rash ointment small tubes, sachets (no peppermint or sage scents) and nursing pads at Winter State. OR  
Your chapter can make your own gift bags and bring to Winter State convention.

\*Participation at community Birth and Baby Expos and events promoting both Minnesota Milk for Babies and MNWT. Details to follow.

\*Fundraise to purchase a small freezer to be located at new milk depot. Approximately a 9 cubic ft. chest freezer is needed at each depot and cost is approximately \$300.00. Each freezer donated will have a plaque applied stating the freezer was donated by MNWT. MNWT representatives could be present at these milk depot openings which would include local TV and newspaper coverage, as well as social media announcements through Facebook and Twitter.

\*Share your personal stories about Breast Feeding. The organization is always looking for testimonials/experiences.

\*Search out a location in your community and partner with Minnesota Milk for Babies to start the process to get a milk depot set up!

\*Hold a community/district/chapter Baby Shower with your local ECFE.

\*Host a night for new mom’s and hand out information about your chapter, MNWT & Minnesota Milk for Babies. Contact local fire dept. or police dept. to participate by offering tips on children’s safety etc. Ask local Salon(s) for a free massage or service for a door prize.

## MNWT Fall State Project Fair Friday, September 28, 2018

Hope you stopped by the Minnesota Milk for Babies booth at Fall State Project Fair.

Did you pick up a baby bottle to fill with change at your monthly meetings?

Final collection for this Buckets of Sunshine project is Winter State 2019.



### **Current locations of milk depots:**

1. North Memorial Medical Center, Robbinsdale, MN – 763-581-8340
2. Alexandria Clinic Alexandria, MN – 320-763-5123
3. Hudson Hospital & Clinic Birth Center, Hudson, WI – 715-531-6572
4. Park Nicollet Methodist Hospital, St. Louis Park, MN – 952-993-5124

At your next meeting have chapter members bring in their baby pictures and see if you can match the member to their photo!!

Thank you to MNWT members for their support for the Buckets of Sunshine organization: Minnesota Milk Bank for Babies! I greatly appreciate it!!