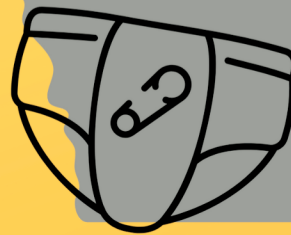




**DON'T PAY FOR DIAPERS FOR
THE NEXT 12 MONTHS!***

3DRP

2023-2024



Diaper
Distribution
Demonstration
&
Research Pilot

YPN and the Eastern Iowa Diaper Bank have been selected to participate in a diaper research pilot grant for 2023-2024.

*By participating in YPN home visits your family can qualify to get all of your diapers covered at no cost to you!

YPN utilizes the Parents As Teachers curriculum in our Jones County home visitation program.
Funded by the Cedar/Jones ECI Board.

A parent is a child's first and most important teacher. This **FREE** program is open to any Jones County resident who is pregnant or has a child(ren) ages 0-5.

Learn about how your child's brain works, how to prepare your child for school, and how to access screenings & other resources - all from the comfort of your home!

With PAT Visits you'll:

- **GROW!** Learn about your child's brain development
- **ENCOURAGE!** Learning through play builds brain connections
- **TALK!** We all have worries and questions. Now you can ask with confidence in a private setting
- **DO!** Activities help prepare your child for school

PAT Visits include:

- Certified Parent Educator
- What to expect as your child grows and develops
- How to encourage intellectual development and language development
- Book and Resource sharing
- Earn points to use at our We Care Shop



www.ypniowa.org



(319) 364-8909

3DRP 2023-2024



Diaper
Distribution
Demonstration
&
Research Pilot



Diaper Need in the U.S.

Diapers are essential for the health and well-being of babies and toddlers, but one in three families in the United States do not have enough of them to meet the needs of their babies. Diapers, alone, can cost 8% of a person's total income if they are making federal minimum wage, and parents and caregivers who don't have enough diapers often can't drop their children off at childcare. This leads to missed days at work and school, missed early education opportunities for toddlers, and an increased likelihood of painful rashes and infections. A lack of diapers is not only a public health issue, it is a formidable obstacle to economic mobility for low-income families.

About the Diaper Distribution Pilot

To help address diaper needs and increase economic security, the Office of Community Services (OCS) at the Department of Health and Human Services launched a new Diaper Distribution Demonstration and Research Pilot at the end of September 2022, during Diaper Need Awareness Week. This program, also known as the Diaper Distribution Pilot, channels new funding to expand existing diaper distribution services, through the robust network of anti-poverty services that the OCS already provides through the Community Services Block Grant. The Diaper Distribution Pilot puts another antipoverty tool in the hands of Community Action Agencies and their partners, as part of their efforts to provide wraparound services for individuals and families with low incomes. The Diaper Distribution Pilot also connects families to economic mobility and family support services such as job training, educational support, Early Head Start, housing services, and more. OCS understands that this Diaper Distribution Pilot is about more than just diapers – it is about lifting a real and tangible barrier to health and wellbeing for low-income families, and about connecting those families with other programs that address the conditions and causes of poverty and help them take steps toward self-sufficiency.

About the Grant Recipient

[Iowa Community Action Association](#) (ICAA) was created as a result of the Economic Opportunity Act of 1964. Since that time, Community Action has become a national network of local agencies that exist to develop local solutions to poverty. ICAA is assisted by the state's 16 Community Action Agencies, which serve more than 320,000 Iowans every year. ICAA services are at the forefront of innovative strategies to empower low-income citizens to become self-sufficient and fully engaged members of their communities.

Diaper Need in Iowa

- **15.5%** of all children under the age of five in Iowa live in poverty.
- **24%** of all of the children under five living in Iowa live in one of the 18 counties that will participate in the diaper pilot.
- In the 18 counties participating in this project, **9,262 children** receive child care assistance, accounting for 23% of the total children enrolled in Iowa's 99 counties.
- A single-parent household in Iowa spends **41% of their income** on infant care, not accounting for diapers, diapering supplies, clothing for children, medicine, food, or other essential needs



For more information or to learn how your family can earn FREE diapers all year long, please contact YPN and the Eastern Iowa Diaper Bank today. 319.364.8909.

EASTERN IOWA
DIAPER
Bank
a collaborative of

