

HERE ARE SOME EXAMPLES OF COLLECT TO CONNECT PROJECTS

- The American Heritage Girls chapter at St. Joseph Parish in Cottleville collects hygiene products, blankets, socks and other items and packs them in duffle bags for our foster kids.
- The Altrusa Club of professional women collects backpacks filled with school supplies and gift cards for our Maternity shelter moms.
- Polsinelli law firm collected diapers and wipes as part of our Baby Shower event for our young pregnant and parenting clients.
- St. Austin School students collect items four times a year as part of their service project depending on the need—school supplies, baby items, gift cards, care kits.
- St. Francis of Assisi Parish collects all kinds of toys, games, clothes and other presents through their annual Giving Tree for our Christmas Collect to Connect event.
- A 10-year old ran a lemonade stand and bake sales as her summer project to by items for the babies in our Maternity shelter—on her own!

**CALL OUR DEVELOPMENT
OFFICE AT (314) 854-5705
TO TALK ABOUT YOUR
COLLECT TO CONNECT
PROJECT.**



- Diapers and Wipes
- School Supplies
- Bottles and Bibs
- Sippy Cups
- Toys and Books
- Sleepers/Onsies
- Pajamas
- Sweatshirts
- Sweatpants
- Hoodies
- Socks and Shoes
- Basic T-Shirts
- Underwear
- Hygiene Products
- Household Goods.

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Really connect with our at risk kids, troubled families and expectant parents by collecting what they really need.

**COLLECT
TO CONNECT**

GOOD SHEPHERD :: CONNECTING CHILDREN WITH FAMILIES + KEEPING FAMILIES CONNECTED

Our Mission: In response to the call of Jesus Christ, the Good Shepherd, to help those in need, we connect children with families and keep families connected.

We are all about people connecting with people; connecting kids with families; connecting parents with babies; connecting friends in our community with brothers and sisters in need in our community.

This was the idea behind our **Collect to Connect** project. **One of the best ways to connect to someone in need is to collect what they need.** For example, give a child a coat and connect to what it means to be cold and out on the street.



COLLECT HOUSEHOLD GOODS



Connect with our Expectant Parent clients facing a crisis pregnancy. Many of them have kids at home; at risk of losing their homes; falling behind on utility payments; going through a divorce; and a lot of anxiety.

Sometimes all they need are cleaning products, pots and pans, diapers and wipes and the simple little things that ease the stress and make home feel like home. We help 170 or more of these parents a year and your collection can help them focus on having a healthy baby.

COLLECT PERSONAL ITEMS

Connect with our Foster Care kids who often have none of the basic needs of living when they enter foster care or move to a new home—socks, shoes, coats, underwear, toothbrush, shampoo.

More than 1,400 youth are in foster care in the St. Louis area. We help hundreds of them a year find homes and families. Your collection can help them feel at home as they search for permanent placement; help their foster parents, too

COLLECT DIAPERS & BABY ITEMS



Connect with the teen moms in our Maternity shelter and their babies. Think of baby shower gifts for both mother and child—comfortable clothes, pacifiers, lotion and skin creams, baby

books, lots of diapers.

More than 9,000 teens in Missouri give birth each year—2,035 in St. Louis. Your collection can help calm their fears and support healthy mothers with healthy and happy babies.

COLLECT GIFTS CARDS

Gift cards let our clients purchase what they need or earn a treat for good school work with supervision from our staff. Some of their favorites are Target, Walmart, Footlocker, Burlington, Bath & Body Works, McDonald's and other convenient restaurants. What would you need or like that a gift card could get?

