



March coming in feeling a bit like FEET TO THE FIRE. We have been blessed with many things here at Tiny Stitches. Five ladies who saw a need in 1999 and acted upon it, where it has 25 years later, grown to over 200 ladies serving babies in the upper half of Georgia. Blessed with volunteers who are able to use their talent for this mission. Blessed with overseers and board members who keep us organized and growing with money and donations coming in. Right now though, a few issues arise. We have an incredible grant coordinator who has found every available donation for tiny Tiny Stitches, but now has to step down. She has tried to step down for a year or more and has stayed on faithfully, as no one has volunteered to step in. *She will be in position until June 30th.* If there are no grants, there is no Tiny Stitches. That is the stark reality. Rent has increased and we have close to 10K in costs for rental of the units to house the fabric and to pack the items once a month. We *desperately* need a volunteer or two or three to cover this. She will be there to guide along the way. Please consider this. If you feel so led, call Carla at (678)492-3816.

Joann Fabric will also likely be soon filing bankruptcy. How does this affect us? Our flannel is primarily purchased there, having been given discounts and free shipping. And without grant money and donations....you can see where this is going.

We have looked at this from this from so many angles; do we change warehouse companies, do we down-size, do we try and use a church, do we store things in homes. The reality is all are good questions but not real options at the moment. If this is your first newsletter with us, it is normally much more upbeat. Much more!

SO, you might ask, what IS happy about TS?

We have four warehouses of fabric (at the moment) ready to be sewn.

We have a beautiful abundance of volunteers that help with pre-pack and packing layettes! We SEE you! 💕

We have amazing hands that stitch for us on the regular. Quality as well as quantity!

We are NEEDED! We continue to receive call-outs for help.

We make moms happy and relieved because their babies are clothed and warm. ❤️ ❤️ ❤️

Amy Wilson 🍀

APRIL ITEMS NEEDED:

Girl caps

Girl sleepers

Boy quilts

Girl receiving blankets

Girl tote bags

Girl lap-front shirts

Boy sleepers

(If you are knitting or crocheting hats, We would appreciate them being plain, no pom-poms. Why? They could possibly be pulled off by the baby and ingested. Probable no, possible yes. That will save us the step of removing them. We really appreciate our volunteers and your time being spent for these little ones.)

DISTRIBUTION:

March: 118 layettes/ 4233 items/ 27 burials

Year To Date: 21 layettes/ 651 items/ 7 burials

CALENDAR:

March 27th, Wednesday 9:30 Prepack/Pack

April 24th, Wednesday 9:30 Prepack/Pack

May 7th, Tuesday 10:15 Business Meeting

May 29th , Wednesday 9:00 (Note: summer hours) Prepack/Pack

June 24th, Wednesday 9:00 Prepack/Pack

July 2nd, Tuesday 10:15 Business Meeting

July 31st, Wednesday 9:00 Prepack/Pack

August 28th, Wednesday 9:00 Prepack/Pack

September 3rd, Tuesday 10:15 Business Meeting

September 25th, Wednesday 9:00 Prepack/Pack

October 30th, Wednesday 9:30 (Note: fall/winter hours) Prepack/pack

November 5th, Tuesday 10:15 Business Meeting

December 18th *** different date for Prepack and Pack as the normal time falls on Christmas Day 🌲

Pre-pack at Midgard Self-Storage/ 130 Peachtree Industrial Boulevard, Sugar Hill

Business Meeting Atlanta Sewing Center/ 1248 Duluth Hwy, Duluth

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