

# Branford Facebook group raises \$2,150 for Diaper Bank

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BRANFORD — Last Thursday night, Branford's Courtney Rosenberg and Cheryl Andresen packed \$955.14 worth of diapers into the Diaper Bank outside the Patricia C. Andriole Community Service Center on Harrison Avenue.

The delivery, the first of two, was the result of a Venmo challenge issued to the women of their Facebook group. In all, they raised \$2,150, including a \$1,000 matching donation from the Branford Community Foundation and a \$50 gift card from Walmart. There, they filled six carts with every size of diaper, drawing quizzical looks from their fellow shoppers.

The Diaper Bank is open on the second Tuesday of every month during the Community Dining Room's Tuesday Night Family Dinner. It's available to any Branford resident. There is no income qualification.

"Diapers aren't considered a basic need by supplemental federal and state assistance programs," said Rosenberg, formerly the volunteer coordinator at CDR. "We're so happy to be able to do our small part in helping to fill this need."

Branford families can apply for assistance from the Diaper Bank by contacting BELC director Diane Pappacoda at 203-488-4512.

For information about donating diapers, call 203-488-9750.



Courtney Rosenberg, left, and Cheryl Andresen at the Branford Diaper Bank

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