

# the infant formula

*The Newsletter of Infant Crisis Services, Inc.*



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Annual Report 2013



## Dupree

I believe every baby is a blessing, but sometimes I have the honor of meeting one who is a true miracle. Dupree definitely fits in that category.

“If anyone ever asks you if you believe in miracles, tell them about Dupree”

Baby Dupree was considered a micro-preemie. He was born at 23 ½ weeks, which is just more than half way through a typical pregnancy. He weighed only 1.48 pounds and spent 99 days in the neonatal intensive care unit. Doctors told Dupree’s mother he would possibly be blind and have irreversible loss of brain function... if he lived at all.

“When he was born, he wasn’t crying because his lungs weren’t developed,” his mother, Valerie, said. “They put him under a light, and his little feet started moving, so I knew he had a will to live. He was a fighter.”

Valerie finally got to bring Dupree home from the hospital April 16, 2013... two weeks before her original due date. Today, he has only minor issues due to prematurity. His little body does require specialty formula, which Infant Crisis Services is able to provide him. Despite his difficult beginning, Dupree is expected to grow up healthy, without any major, long-term effects.

As Valerie held her first born in her arms, her words almost brought me to tears. “If anyone ever asks you if you believe in miracles, tell them about Dupree,” she said.



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*Miki Farris*

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Executive Director



*Infant Crisis Services' board member Carolyn Ann Hansing holds one of the youngest tornado victims at the opening of the Moore branch.*



*Branch Coordinator, Marisela Lopez, assists one of the youngest tornado victims with diapers and formula.*

## Moore Branch

Infant Crisis Services recently opened a branch specifically for the babies and toddlers affected by the May tornadoes. The branch opened July 10, and is located inside Platt College at 201 North Eastern in Moore. It is open every Wednesday from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Like our other locations, the Moore branch is stocked with diapers, formula, baby and toddler food, clothing, blankets and other baby items.

Infant Crisis Services is committed to being there for the families of Moore and the surrounding communities during the long-term recovery and rebuilding process.

## Baby Mobile

Our first mobile unit will officially roll out in October! The BabyMobile will serve as a baby food, formula and diaper pantry on wheels. Our hope is to break down the transportation barrier that prevents many needy families

from receiving services. The BabyMobile will travel to areas in central Oklahoma where the need is greatest and will also be utilized during future disaster relief efforts across the state.



## Boots and Ball Gowns Gala

Reserve your tickets today for one of Oklahoma City's premier events. The 6th annual Boots and Ball Gowns Gala will take place January 25, 2014 at the National Cowboy and Western Heritage Museum. The event was voted one of the best annual events in "The Oklahoman" Readers' Choice Awards and in "Oklahoma Magazine." Buy your tickets online at [www.infantcrisis.org](http://www.infantcrisis.org) or call Becky Taylor at (405) 778-7608.

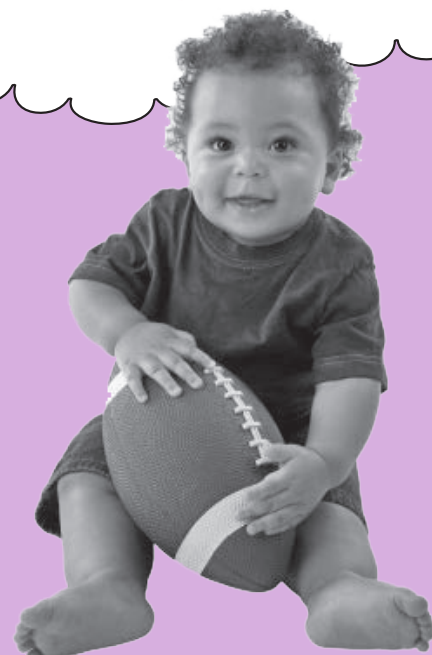


## Bedlam for Babies

As Oklahomans prepare for the state's biggest sports rivalry, Infant Crisis Services is gearing up for a popular annual event that pits Cowboys' fans against Sooner fans in a friendly game of fundraising.

During the month of November, Infant Crisis Services invites your workplace, school, neighborhood, church or civic organization to host a Bedlam for Babies donation drive. Each participant decides which team they would like to represent, The University of Oklahoma or Oklahoma State University. The team with the most collected pounds of items by December 7, 2013, will earn the ultimate prize of bragging rights.

Donations gathered through Bedlam for Babies will go directly to Oklahoma babies in crisis. For a program outline, visit [www.infantcrisis.org/bedlam-for-babies](http://www.infantcrisis.org/bedlam-for-babies).





# Merci!

In July, our storage hub was transformed into a French café for a Paris-themed banquet dedicated to our wonderful volunteers. Each year, we honor those devoted men and women who give so much of their time to helping babies and toddlers in need. In 2012, we had 2,820 volunteers work 18,030 hours helping clients, sorting and packing donations, stocking shelves and providing administrative assistance. Thank you all for your tireless dedication and hard work!

**Lifetime Volunteer Award:** Reba Gallespy and Mary Lynne Portman

**Newcomer Award:** Stephanie Kepler

**Religious Group Award:** Crossings Community Church

**Corporate Volunteer Award:** The Disney Store and Sprint

**Teen Volunteer Award:** Jessica Greene

**Volunteer Service Award:** Karen Braver, Carol Barnett, Debbie Orcutt

**Special Service Award:** Janice Adams and Shannon Ballesteros

**Jeanie Laakman Professional Service Award:** Oklahoma City-County Health Department



*Celeste Vieste, Debbie Berry, Tracy Goebel*



*Beth Lykins, Mary Lynne Portman,  
Elizabeth Moon, Reba Gallespy*

## Oklahoma Senior Volunteer of the Year

In May, one of our volunteers received statewide honors, representing Oklahoma as the senior volunteer of the year. Martha King is a dedicated community servant who has a true heart for helping others. She was recognized by Home Instead Senior Care as the recipient of the 2013 Salute to Senior Service award. With the award, Martha was given \$500 which she generously donated to Infant Crisis Services. We are extremely grateful for Martha's commitment to her community and to helping babies and toddlers grow up healthy and strong. This award is well deserved!



*Representatives from Home Instead Senior Care  
present Martha King with her award.*

## Volunteers of the Month

### June – Kyle Rogers

Kyle has been with us for almost two years and is an awesome addition to our volunteer team. He has donated more than 170 hours of his time. Kyle works primarily in the warehouse stocking food, taking inventory and doing just about anything and everything we ask of him. He also volunteered extra time during the tornado relief efforts, when donations were pouring in and the need was great. Kyle's pleasant demeanor is appreciated by staff, volunteers and clients alike.

### July – Raelyn Arnold

Raelyn started volunteering with Infant Crisis Services in May. As a clothing room attendant, she is often seen filling the clothing racks, moms' bins and book/toy table so our families are blessed with options. She works very hard, despite her other volunteer commitment to the Choctaw Branch Library System. Raelyn is the first to give a hug, smile and offer her knitting skills to babies and staff. We appreciate her dedication and love having her as part of our family!



# nurturing news



*Infant Crisis Services' communications and development team received the prestigious 2013 Bronze Quill Award of Excellence for the 10 Dollars in 10 Days fundraising campaign.*

*The International Association of Business Communicators Central Oklahoma Chapter presented the award to Courtney Mayberry, communications coordinator for Infant Crisis Services, during a banquet in June.*



*Lilli Harris, 9, donated her savings to Infant Crisis Services. Throughout the summer she held lemonade stands and watched her neighbors' pets to raise money for babies and toddlers in need.*



*Infant Crisis Services has received two substantial donations from oil & gas to provide formula, food and diapers to needy babies and toddlers in central Oklahoma. GE, which is building a global research center in Oklahoma City, awarded us an initial \$25,000.*

*The employees at GE Artificial Lift donated an additional \$5,000 to Infant Crisis Services' disaster relief efforts.*

My wife and I are expecting our first child in August. We have been overwhelmed by the love and generosity with which our friends and family have showered us over the past few months.

Recognizing how blessed we are, we are acutely aware of how many children in our area are not nearly as fortunate. As our due date continues to get closer we have felt strongly that it is important for us to pass some of those blessings along to those who need them.

Please find enclosed a check to assist in some small way with the wonderful ministry you provide in our community. Thank you for the good work you all do. We're proud to be a part of it.

Sincerely,

*Brian & Kristen*

Brian & Kristen Dude

*This letter from new parents Brian and Kristen Dude, came in the mail with a generous donation. The couple wanted to give back after receiving so much love and support from their family and friends during their pregnancy.*



# 2012-2013 Annual Report

## Statement of Activities

for the year ended March 31, 2013

	for the year ended March 31, 2013	for the year ended March 31, 2012
<b>Revenues, Gains and Support</b>		
Contributions	\$1,790,137	\$1,626,462
Grants and Sponsorships	\$ 251,085	\$220,921
Investment Income (loss)	\$185,001	\$78,904
Fundraising Events	\$575,306	\$567,697
Miscellaneous Revenues	\$1,099	\$327
<b>Total Revenues, Gains, and Support</b>	<b>\$2,802,628</b>	<b>\$2,494,311</b>
<b>Expenses</b>		
Program Services	\$2,458,545	\$2,470,917
General and Administrative	\$113,569	\$114,524
Fundraising	\$408,877	\$378,276
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$2,980,991*</b>	<b>\$2,963,717*</b>
Net Assets at beginning of year (restated)	\$9,661,602	\$10,131,008
Net Assets at end of year	\$9,483,239	\$9,661,602
<b>Total Change in Net Assets</b>	<b>(\$178,363)</b>	<b>(\$469,406)</b>

\*Includes depreciation expenses and expenditures from a multi-year grant, awarded and recognized as income in a prior year.



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## Statistics Fiscal Year 2013

(April 1, 2012 - March 31, 2013)

**Total Number of Visits:** 13,526

### Services for Infants:

Formula (bottles)	166,845
Baby Food (jars)	66,990
Cereal (boxes)	3,045

### Services for Toddlers:

Food Packs (containing cereal, pasta, beans, canned fruits and vegetables, fresh bread)	5,615
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### Services for Infants and Toddlers:

Diapers	514,164
First Visit Packs (quilts, bottles, wipes, baby bath, new outfit)	4,659

**Clothing room visits:** 12,217

### Top 10 Referral Sources:

- WIC
- DHS
- 211
- City-Co. Health Department
- Variety Care
- OU Medical Center
- Birth Choice
- Integris Hospitals
- Family Expectations
- Children's Hospital

### Top 10 Zip Codes Served:

73114, 73120, 73109, 73119, 73108, 73107, 73129, 73127, 73111, 73112

### Mission Statement

*Infant Crisis Services provides life-sustaining formula, food and diapers to babies and toddlers in times of crisis. Because no baby should go hungry.*

## Staff

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