

Pregnant and new families we support, be it through our family support, groups or appointment are often in need of material support. To meet their needs, we collect donations of baby goods and clothing, new or in good and safe condition to give to pregnant women and young families. We have listed below what we can and can't accept. Donations can be made on a Friday, between 10-4pm at our Essendon and Caroline Springs office. Contact us on secretary@caroline.org.au or by phone on 9361 7000 for further information. Look us up on www.caroline.org.au

Please be mindful when donating, that the goods are in good condition, so that our much-needed funds are not redirected towards landfill costs.

NEW or PRE-LOVED items we accept

Baby Gyms and Mats	Clean and excellent condition
Bassinets	Less than 10 years old, a wide stable base and has firm sides at least 400mm high. Large breathable panels on both sides and can be removed for washing. Please include a firm snug fitting like new mattress, which should be no more than 75mm high. No cradles, Cane or Moses baskets
Baths	Needs to have a plug and no stands, seats or aids
Books	Suitable for up to age 6.
Bouncers & Rockers	Needs to have a 3- or 5-point harness and less than 10 years old
Bunny Rugs, Muslins or Baby Wraps	Stain free, clean and freshly laundered
Carriers	Baby Bjorn or similar carriers (no slings)
Clothing (0000 to 6 years)	Stain free, clean and freshly laundered
Highchairs	Australian Standard AS 4684:2009 (must have either a 3- or 5-point safety harness, less than 10 years old, tray, brakes (if on casters) & very clean)
Infant Sleeping Bags & Grow-bags	Please no hoods or velcro
Maternity Wear	Excellent condition and freshly laundered
Prams or Strollers (excluding Umbrella Strollers)	Australian Standard AS/NZS 2088:2000 (must have a 5 point safety harness, less than 10 years old, red faultless safety break, sun-hood and good clean condition. With a manual is a bonus. Pram bassinets with a hard base with matching pram base. Please no Umbrella strollers.
Sheets & Mattress Protectors	Bassinet & Cot that are stain free, clean and freshly laundered
Shoes (baby to 6 years)	Clean or excellent condition

NEW items we accept

Baby Bottles and other Feeding Equipment	Suitable for up to age 6.
Baby Formula & Food	Unopened and within 3 months of expiry date
Baby Towels	
Bedding for Bassinets and Cots	Please no mattresses, duvets or pillows
Nappies (disposable only)	Opened bags or loose nappies are accepted. Please no swimming nappies.
Nappy Bags & Change Mats	
Toiletries (for mum and baby)	Unopened and within expiry date
Toys & Books	Suitable for up to age 6
Wipes	Unopened and within expiry date
Wool for Knitting	Preferably natural fibers

Items in high demand include larger sized clothing for ages 2+, prams, nappies and wipes.

Unfortunately, there are goods and clothing that we are unable to rehome for safety reasons or storage limitations, which are listed on the next page.

Items we are unable to accept

Activity centres	Household goods such as cutlery and crockery
Adult clothing (excluding maternity clothing)	Jolly jumpers or swings
Bath aids, seats and stands	Mattresses
Baby slings	Nappy bins
Bicycles, tricycles, ride on toys scooters & helmets	Photo frames and prints
Books (parenting & for ages 6+)	Pillows, cushions, donnas, cot or bassinet bumpers or bean bags
Breastfeeding pillows	Play tunnels or tents
Breast pumps (electric and non-electric)	Play pens
Bumbo seats	Porta cots
Car seats or restraints	Potties, toilet seats or steps
Carry cots	Pram travel bags
CD's or DVD's for children	Running prams
Change tables	Safety gates
Christening gifts	Safety items (e.g. plugs, covers, safety latches)
Co-sleepers, like my little baby	Soft toys
Cots, bumpers, bed rails or mobiles	Sterilisers
Electrical items (e.g. baby monitors, breast pumps or sterilisers)	Toys (preloved)
Foam floor mats	Umbrella Strollers
Furniture (e.g. cots, dressers, change tables, beds)	Used baby bottle or teats
Highchairs that strap on to chairs or hang on a table	Walkers