

## Organization helping young mothers runs out of diapers, needs donations



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An organization that helps teen mothers in the city is asking Edmontonians for help.

The Terra Centre says they are out of diapers.

The organization holds an annual diaper drive in October but say diapers collected from last year's campaign has run out.

"It is an essential need for babies," says Angie McConnell with the Terra Centre.

"Kids can go through anywhere from four to eight diapers a day."

The Terra Centre says they need diapers, sizes three through six, to help young clients throughout the summer.

McConnell says many of the teens the centre helps are living in poverty and buying diapers for their babies may mean they might not have money for food or rent.

"Around 80 per cent of our clients are on really limited budgets," McConnell says.

"When they're living in that poverty, how do you pay rent? How you get diapers? How do you get food? We help them access the services and the goods they need to help them get on their feet and accomplish their goals and become successful members of our community."

The Terra Centre needs about \$5,000 worth of diapers to help young parents until the next diaper drive campaign in the fall.

Diapers or cash donations can be dropped off at the Terra Centre located at 9930 106 Street.

Anyone looking for more information is asked to call 780-428-3772.

The Terra Centre is a non-profit organization providing support and services to pregnant and parenting teens in Edmonton since 1971.

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