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Thank you to everyone who came to the Shower of Love last Saturday at the Mission's MacMahon Center. It was a joyous and well- attended gathering, full of the spirit of generosity and commitment to children. And special thanks to ALL who contributed to making the event successful (before, during and after), especially SARAH HILLS, this year's Shower of Love Chair!

Highlights included:

- THIRTEEN NEW MEMBERS, including THREE COUPLE MEMBERSHIPS! We heartily welcome our new members, who bring amazing professional and volunteer experience to our ranks. We look forward to bringing our new "class" together in January to learn more about particular volunteer opportunities and get to know each other better. Thank you for joining us in our important mission:
 - Joanne Ablan
 - Paula Browning
 - Nanci and Doug Chartier
 - Lorraine Cornelius
 - Rosemary Ellis
 - Mary Fritsch
 - Marilyn Gollihar
 - Terri and Tim Kelley
 - Jeannie and Bob Kelley
 - Mary Pat McCormick

- Gloria Rauber
- MIssi Student
- We heard in person from one of our partners about how our work makes an impact in our community. Catholic Charities' Executive Director Angela di Novella spoke about how the 120 baby bundles we provide to them each year improves the lives of local babies, bringing a tear to the eye of many. . .
- Our attendees were amazingly generous with both in kind and financial donations, the most ever. We are so grateful to all our supporteres and are well poised to take our expanded work forward!
- We knitted, nibbled and chatted up a storm. Full of old friends and friendsto-be, the energy in the room was palpable, as was a sense of joy in gathering together in such a lovely place for such a positive reason. Thanks to Fr. Paul and the Carmel Mission Basilica for making us so welcome. . . .

Bottom line: We remain deeply grateful now and as we continue to thank God for all His gifts in the weeks to come.

Blessings on you all and HAPPY
THANKSGIVING!

Blessings,

Anne Kelley, President











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