



Cradling New Life

The Cradling New Life Mission is to address the needs of families enduring the struggles of pre-term labor, premature birth, or other ill little ones in Iowa hospitals' Neonatal Intensive Care Units by raising awareness and establishing a unified footprint toward their needs.

Unless someone like you cares a whole awful lot, nothing is going to get better. It's not. - Dr. Seuss

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One of every nine expectant mothers do not carry their babies to full-term. Each year nearly 450,000 babies born in the United States require specialized care & spend time in a Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU).



They are admitted for reasons such as premature birth, complications arising during delivery, or signs of ill health which occur within the first few days of life. The length of stay depends on the severity of their issues. Staying in the NICU is vital to an infant's survival.



Premature birth before 37 weeks pregnancy

- * The most common cause of neonatal death.
- * Accounts for 35% of all infant deaths.
- * Leading factor of long term neurological disabilities.
- * Creates family emotional & economic distress.

Your generosity can lessen the emotional stress and practical challenges faced by NICU/ antepartum families.

NICUs provide high tech tender loving care

Modern equipment and medical supplies.

Specialists on duty 24/7.

Vitals monitored continually.

Education for families in learning specialized care procedures.

Bonding, touching significant to well-being.



Facts from Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, cdc.gov



11.3% of children born in Iowa are premature.

www.zerotothree.org/policy/statebabyfacts

CRADLING NEW LIFE FUNDS

Raise awareness about NICU/ antepartum experiences & challenges.

Provide financial help to families for essentials such as:

- * **Infant care/necessity items.**
- * **Gas, grocery, lodging, family expenses.**
- * **Costs of special equipment.**

My husband and I endured our own financial struggles during my pregnancy with our twins. I was on bed rest for 3 1/2 months with 6 1/2 weeks requiring hospitalization. Since we lost my income, my husband travelled for work to supplement our income. I am involved with this charity because I have first-hand knowledge of the difficulties faced by these families and want to help others in similar situations. This charity's mission is near and dear to my heart. - Mindy Nelson