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The Community Crisis Center, Inc., (CCC) is launching a new awareness campaign as part of its poverty elimination efforts, and we need your help! **Bottoms Up: Diapers, Feminine, and Incontinence Products for Our Neighbors in Need** aims to help people facing financial hardship readily access these basic necessities.

People without the means to purchase diapers, feminine and incontinence products often suffer economic and educational losses, as well as experience physical and mental health issues. Here are some sobering facts:

- Infants require up to 12 diapers per day, and toddlers about 8. No state or federal child safety-net program allocates dollars specifically for the purchase of diapers.

(Source: National Diaper Bank Network)

“Most commercial child-care centers and babysitters require families to provide diapers, so a shortfall can make a difference in a parent’s ability to earn an income.”

(Source: “Millions couldn’t afford diapers before the pandemic. Now, diaper banks can’t keep up.” Washington Post. March 1, 2021)

- “Nearly 1 in 5 American girls have either left school early or missed school entirely because they didn't have access to period products.”

(Source: Always. 2017. The Always Confidence and Puberty Wave VI Study.)

- “An inadequate (incontinence) supply or inferior product can lead to urinary tract infections, rashes, and other complications that can trigger more serious problems.”

(Source: Lindenfeld Hall, Sarah. Source: “Isolated and alone: Nonprofits see explosion of need for adult incontinence products.” NBC News. March 8, 2021)

Give to Bottoms Up today! We accept new, unopened packages as well as partially used opened packages of diapers, feminine (pads and tampons), and incontinence (pads and underwear) products during our monthly donation drop-off day. Please check out CCC’s website for our next donation day, or contact us at info@communitycrisiscenterinc.org to schedule a drop-off.