# Global Links Baby Bag Project



# How can Global Links Baby Bags improve maternal/infant survival?

Prenatal care and medically attended deliveries improve survival for both mothers and babies. Hospital and clinic directors request baby bags because they provide an incentive for women to come in for prenatal care and delivery. In 2013, Global Links' goal is to donate 500 baby bags.

We need your help: to meet that goal, we need more baby clothes as well as more of the bags themselves.

Maternal/infant health is a priority for Global Links. Help us make a difference.

"These bags encourage mothers to deliver in the safe environment of the Maternity Center."

Dr. Dan Lattanzi, Haiti





#### The history:

Global Links Baby Bag project was inspired by a hospital in Nicaragua, which provided bags of essentials as an incentive for mothers to come in for prenatal care and a medically attended delivery.

A Michigan quilter designed a sturdy, all purpose bag and made hundreds of them herself before helping to

assemble clear instructions for other volunteers to follow. The bags are designed to have a long and useful life after the baby is born.

## The goal:

Global Links plans to send 500 bags filled with useful baby supplies in 2013. The list of supplies has been developed in consultation with medical personnel in the countries where we work.

### How to help:

There are many ways to become engaged in this project – and improve maternal/infant health in some of the most underserved communities in the hemisphere. Please visit our website, www.globallinks.org, or see the attached menu of options.



