

# INFORMATION FOR COMMUNITY GROUPS "KITS AT HOME"

In response to the current global health emergency, Birthing Kit Foundation Australia (BKFA) has adapted its large-scale Assembly Day events to enable our volunteers to pack life-saving birthing kits in the comfort of their own home.

"Kits at Home" is ideal for community organisations, service clubs and church groups looking for engaging, hands-on activities for their members during recommended periods of self-isolation.

Birthing kits are a critical resource in the fight against infection and disease for pregnant women and newborns.

Now, more than ever, women in the developing world need our support to stay safe and healthy.

## How "Kits at Home" Works

- As per BKFA's large-scale Assembly Days, the minimum quantity of kits available to pack is 200. Each kit requires \$5 of fundraising, so 200 kits is equivalent to \$1000 (tax-deductible donation).
- Kit supplies (plastic sheets, bags, cord ties, scalpels, soap, gloves and gauze) will be supplied in packs of 40.
- This will give 5x individuals the opportunity to pack 40 kits in their own home, or 5x smaller volunteer teams, observing the current social distancing recommendations.

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### **How to Get Involved**

### STEP 1

Nominate a "Kits at Home" Coordinator for your activity, this person's role is similar to an "AD Coordinator" if you have volunteered with BKFA previously.

NOTE: This person will be responsible for, accepting the delivery of the kit components, allocating the bundles of 40 kits to their volunteers along with instructions, collecting the completed kits and sending the full allocation of kits back to BKFA as per the instructions provided.

#### STEP 2

Register your "Kits at Home" event via the BKFA website. We are currently able to take bookings for 4 weeks' time instead of the usual 8-week timeframe.

https://www.bkfa.org.au/get-involved/have-an-assemblyday/assembly-day-booking-form/

#### STEP 3

Read the "Assembly Day" volunteer manual and our "Kits at Home" Information Pack to prepare for your activity. Once your fundraising has been provided to BKFA, kit supplies will be sent to the Coordinator.

#### STEP 4

Share your volunteers email addresses with us so we can add them to BKFA's new "Kit Community", a special platform we have developed to keep our volunteers connected and inspired along with access to a range of support resources (videos/blogs) to help manage your "Kits at Home" activity

NOTE: Volunteers are able to opt out at any time.

We would love any photos or videos and if posting on social media please use the hashtags #kitcommunity #birthingkitfoundationaustralia

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