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Bits & Bytes: Berkshire Baby Box fundraiser



One of the boxes distributed to new mothers by Berkshire Baby Box, which will hold a fundraiser at Cove Bowling and Entertainment in Great Barrington on Monday, Aug. 22.

Berkshire Baby Box to hold fundraiser

Great Barrington — Newly launched nonprofit [Berkshire Baby Box](#) offers a welcome gift for new moms: a box filled with supplies that aid in the care of newborns. The box doubles as a safe sleeping place for the baby. South Egremont resident and Berkshire Baby Box founder Hinda Bodinger and her husband, Bill, started Berkshire Baby Box after reading about the **75-year history of the Finnish government's gift of a Baby Box** to each new mother in Finland.

Berkshire Baby Box is partnering with local agencies to distribute the filled boxes during monthly scheduled parenting workshops in Berkshire County. To date workshops have been conducted for 18 moms by the [Family Center of Northern Berkshire County](#) in North Adams and by [Community Health Programs](#) in Great Barrington. Pittsfield workshops through [Child Care of the Berkshires](#) are also being planned.

Berkshire Baby Box will hold a fundraiser on Monday, Aug. 22, at 6 p.m. at [Cove Bowling and Entertainment](#) that will include bowling, prizes, a silent auction, and more. To register one person for \$25 or a four-person team for \$100, email hinda.bodinger@berkshirebabybox.org.

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