

Mothers' Milk Bank is a *pioneer* in donor human milk banking



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With over 40 years of experience, Mothers' Milk Bank is one of North America's largest nonprofit milk banks and a leader in ethical, sustainable milk banking practices. As a founding member of the Human Milk Banking Association of North America (HMBANA), we follow evidence-based practices to ensure safety while keeping milk as close to its natural state as possible and process six biologic milk products to meet infant's needs. We partner with medical facilities nationwide to establish milk depots and provide self shipping options, making it easy for our donors to safely send their milk to us.

Our donor milk is used to provide critical nourishment for newborns—especially medically fragile and premature babies—meaning every ounce donated supports the population that truly needs it most. Committed to supporting all babies, we provide milk to outpatients and financial aid for families with medical needs.

The Mothers' Milk Bank Difference

	 Mothers' Milk Bank	For-profit milk banks that provide PDHM	For-profit companies that provide sterilized human milk products
Medical screening of donors	✓	✓	✓
Serological testing of donors for blood-borne pathogens	✓	✓	✓
Written statements of health/consent from the donors' health care providers	✓	✓	✓
100% volunteer donors, eliminating the ethical and safety issues associated with donor compensation	✓		
FDA approved processes for eliminating pathogens from donated milk.	✓	✓	✓
Registered and subject to FDA inspection	✓	✓	✓
Drug testing	✓	✓	✓
Nutritional analysis of pooled milk	✓	✓	✓
Microbiological testing of milk	✓	✓	✓
Processing method that protects the bio-active components of human milk (HMOs, Secretory, IgA, lysozyme)	✓	✓	
Regular 3rd party inspection that assess compliance with guidelines, addressing all components of donor milk operations from donor recruitment to processing and distribution	✓		
Provides specialty milk for babies with certain medical conditions including preterm, low fat, and dairy restricted milks	✓		
Nonprofit organization	✓		
Community based organization tailoring services to the specific needs of the region	✓		

