Donating or Obtaining Breast Milk in Kansas

**Peer Sharing** - Connect with other families who are looking for breast milk through credible social media sites. *Please follow guidelines on peer milk sharing outlined here - [Informal Milk Sharing Guidelines](#) to reduce risks from using donor milk through careful screening of the donor and home pasteurization.*

- Human Milk 4 Human Babies - [https://www.facebook.com/HM4HBKS/](https://www.facebook.com/HM4HBKS/)
- Eat on Feets - [https://www.facebook.com/EOFKansas/](https://www.facebook.com/EOFKansas/)

**Milk banks** - [Human Milk Bank Association of North America](#) operates a series of milk banks. It is a non-profit organization. Donors are not paid for their breastmilk safe processing and dispensing to babies in need. [Donating breastmilk FAQ](#) (Mother’s Milk Bank).

What is the different between a “**milk bank**” and a “**milk depot**”?

A **milk bank** collects, processes and dispenses donor human milk. Milk banks will pay for the packaging and shipping of donor milk for parents who have been approved as a donor. Therefore the distance between the donor and the milk bank isn’t important.

Milk banks in/near Kansas:

- [Parents’ Milk Bank Indiana](#), 877-375-
- [Oklahoma Parents’ Milk Bank](#), (405) 297-LOVE (5683).
- [Mother’s Milk Bank of Rocky Mountains](#), (303) 869-1888

A **milk depot** is a controlled collection point where parents can donate their breast milk. Parents are connected with the milk banks who provides the necessary screening and local blood testing at no cost to the parent. Approved parents drop their frozen donor milk at the depot where it is temporarily stored in a deep freezer and shipped to the milk bank for processing. Depots save local parents the time of packaging and shipping their donor milk.

Human Milk Depots in Kansas:

- [Hays Medical Center](#) - Hays, KS
- [St. Catherine Hospital – Centura Health](#) - Garden City, KS
- [Via Christi Hospital](#) - Wichita, KS