



NorthernStar
MOTHERS MILK BANK



ABOUT US

NorthernStar Mothers Milk Bank is Canada's only community-based milk bank. Operating as a charitable organization, NorthernStar screens breastfeeding mothers, accepting donations of excess milk from approved donors to be pasteurized in our laboratory. Milk is then dispensed to sick babies in hospitals and at home.

WHAT DRIVES US:

- 💧 We are in the business of saving lives
- 💧 Babies who are born prematurely can thrive when given donor human milk
- 💧 All babies have the right to the life-saving nutrients of pasteurized donor human milk
- 💧 The need for safe pasteurized donor human milk can be met through a community-based solution
- 💧 Our commitment to safety is evident in our research-based process. We are a proud member of the Human Milk Banking Association of North America (HMBANA).

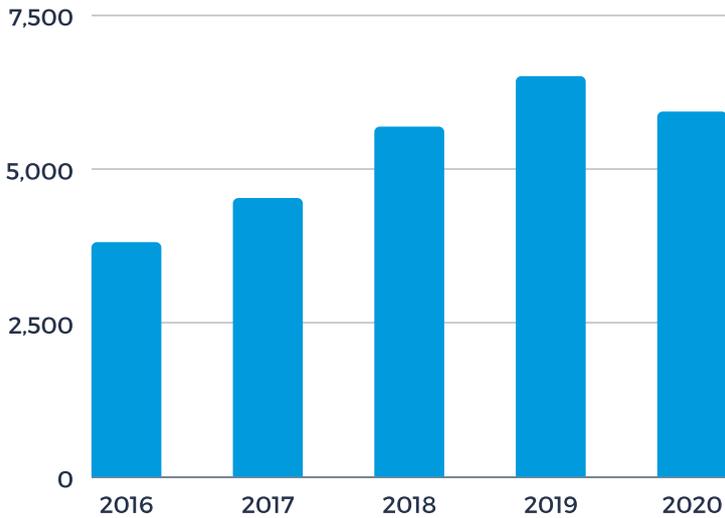




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LITRES DISPENSED



WE TAKE EVERY PRECAUTION TO MAKE SURE OUR MILK IS SAFE. THE SCREENING PROCESS INVOLVES:

- Verbal phone interview
- Written questionnaire
- Health Care Provider visit
- Blood test
- Pre-and-post pasteurization testing of the milk before it's sent out



On average, the use of donor human milk decreases a baby's length of stay in the NICU by approximately 2 weeks



Couriers are used to deliver milk overnight to & from the milk bank, coast-to-coast. We also dispense milk to pharmacies and Public Health offices throughout Canada to increase access to donor milk for moms and babies in need.



We pasteurize between 300-500 bottles a day



There are 11 milk drop locations in 3 provinces

34

Hospitals served across Canada

816

Donors across Canada in 2020

8

Babies fed in the NICU from 1 bottle of donated milk