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Operation Showers of Appreciation – Throws A Military Baby Shower For Expecting Servicewomen and Spouses in Southern Nevada

Las Vegas, NV – Operation Showers of Appreciation will host a baby shower on Saturday January 7th, 2012 at the Nellis Family Housing Community Center located on Nellis Air Force base at 1pm. Approximately 20 new and expecting mothers who have deployed partners or are active-duty servicewomen will be supported. All military branches of service will be invited (Air Force, Army, Navy and Marines) to participate. The event will include gifts from the local community and flowers from expectant fathers.

The majority of the women are first-time moms or expecting multiples. Due to constant deployments many of these expecting mothers will be giving birth while their husbands are deployed in combat areas such as Afghanistan. In addition to an afternoon of food and games the most important opportunity for many of these new moms is to be surrounded by other women in the exact same situation as they celebrate the births of their new babies.

"This will be the second shower for our organization here in the Las Vegas valley," said Kimberly Felshaw, President of Operation Showers of Appreciation. "New motherhood is challenging enough under ideal circumstances, so we look forward to supporting these ladies during their time of need. Many would not have their own babyshower if we were not here to provide one for them."

Individuals or companies wishing to donate items or volunteer please contact Jody Shervanick, Las Vegas baby shower coordinator at 702.862.6064 or email jodyshervanick@hotmail.com. Donations of baby items can be handmade or purchased. There is a need for diapers, baby shampoo/wash, bottles, teethers, pacifiers, bath tubs, wash cloths, clothing, socks, shoes and toys.

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About Operation Showers of Appreciation *Operation Showers of Appreciation is a 501 c non-profit tax-exempt organization, whose mission is to honor our military families in a unique way by showering them with gifts for their newborn babies, providing support during difficult times, and letting them know the many sacrifices both the families and service members make are appreciated. For more information about Operation Showers of Appreciation, please visit www.osoamil.org.*