

USS Harry S. Truman Foundation and Operation Shower Host Mass Baby Shower



Through the generosity of the <u>USS Harry S. Truman Foundation</u>, the non-profit <u>Operation Shower</u> hosted a group baby shower for 40 local military moms-to-be at the Renaissance Portsmouth Norfolk Waterfront. All of the expectant moms were the spouses or partners of deployed members of the USS Harry S. Truman. **WTKR reporter Angela Bohon**, whose husband recently retired from the U.S. Navy, served as the event's guest host.

One of many military baby showers to be hosted by Operation Shower in 2022, the "Tru-BLUE"-themed event included a catered lunch, raffle prizes, and the highlight of the event, the distribution of Operation Shower's signature "Showers In A Box"— gifts of high-quality products for mothers and babies that were generously donated by companies including <u>Delta Children</u>, <u>4moms</u> and <u>Playtex</u>.

Al Gorthy, president of the Harry S. Truman Foundation, Captain, USN Retired, said, "We are honored to partner with Operation Shower to express our immeasurable appreciation to these courageous military moms-to-be for their service and sacrifice on behalf of our country. We are delighted to help spread joy, love and gratitude to these extraordinary women for everything they do at home or on the front lines to keep America safe and free."

"For women who are expecting a baby and whose spouses are deployed, and especially for expectant moms who are active duty, the impending arrival of a child can be both exciting and stressful," said Operation Shower Founder and Chief Shower Officer LeAnn Morrissey. "Operation Shower was created because typically military moms are the ones who hold it all together at home. These moms deserve our support, our appreciation, and an opportunity to celebrate this wonderful milestone together."

For more information about Operation Shower, including a list of upcoming events, please visit <u>www.operationshower.org</u>.

