



Operation Shower teams up with the Islanders' Children's Foundation to host baby shower for military moms



The Islanders Children's Foundation and Operation Shower joined forces on Wednesday, July 6, to host a baby shower for 25 military moms-to-be at the UBS Club at UBS Arena. The shower was also supported by Islanders partner Ryan.

The 25 expectant moms are all active duty service members or the spouses or partners of deployed members of local military bases. The shower was hockey-themed and shared a catered lunch, raffle prizes, and the distribution of Operation Shower's signature "Showers in a Box" – gifts of high-quality products for mothers and babies that have been generously donated by companies including [Delta Children](#), Playtex and Skip Hop.

"We're thrilled to be a part of today's event with Operation Shower and the New York Islanders Children's Foundation to make sure these new and expecting moms have everything they need," said Joseph Shamie, president of Delta Children. "We acknowledge their service and the sacrifices they have made and hope this donation stands as a small token of our appreciation."

All of the moms received Islanders' baby onesies so that their little ones can rep their new favorite sports team. Shannon Hogan of MSG Network served as the event's emcee.

“The Islanders are proud to partner with Operation Shower as we express our appreciation to these courageous military moms-to-be for their service and sacrifice on behalf of our country,” said Islanders Senior Director of Community Relations Ann Rina. “We are delighted to welcome these new little “rookies” into the Islanders family.”

“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.”

This event was the second time the organization have collaborated to host the event and are looking forward to partnering again in the future to bring more help and recognition for these moms.