



# Vaaka ry Baby Bag Association

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## who are we?

Vaaka Baby Bag Association is a Finnish charitable organisation. Our aim is to aid children and families with children both in Finland and in the neighbouring regions.

The association was founded in 2000 and currently has around 350 members.

## How do we help?

So far, Vaaka has carried out dozens of successful collections and minor fundraising events. The largest and probably the best known is the collection of baby bags. This was the very first project of Vaaka and has subsequently been repeated on many occasions over the past years. In addition to baby bags, the association has organised collections of toddler bags, school bags, pencil cases, toilet bags, quilts, woollen socks, household goods and linen. The Christmas collection has now become a firm tradition.

Please see our web site at [www.vaaka.org](http://www.vaaka.org) for more information on the on going projects.

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# Does the aid reach those in need?

Vaaka only organises targeted collections. Some of them are carried out on a national level whereas others are small and localised. The support we provide is very practical and down to earth, aimed to help the everyday life of the recipients. All the projects are co-ordinated and ran by volunteers on very limited budgets and with an over-riding goal to make use of recycled goods.

Vaaka sponsors several communities in the The Republic of Karelia and undertakes various projects every year in Estonia and Finland. All our projects are planned and carried out in cooperation with the receiving parties. The members of the association deliver all the collected goods personally.

Our motto is: Everybody does as much as they have time to do, are capable of and have promised to do. Our collections are not poor relief. Our aim is simply to help by giving a gift from one person to another. In return, we enjoy life-affirming experiences and make lots of new friends.

You are most welcome to join us!



If we all do a little,  
we will change the world.

