UPDATE: March of Dimes Middletown Walk Raises \$50K - Middletown Patch

In a new location this year, the annual March for Babies drew more than 200 walkers in a festive celebration of healthier, stronger infants.

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Middletown's annual March of Dimes March for Babies took place April 29 starting on South Green. Credit March of Dimes

The city's March of Dimes March for Babies April 29 raised \$50,000 at its annual walk — this year starting on the South Green in Middletown — and attracted more than 200 folks and their families walking in teams to benefit the cause of healthier, stronger babies.

Also in attendance were Mayor Dan Drew, state Rep. Matt Lesser, and Mark Masselli and Dr. Margaret Flinter of the Community Health Center.

The mission of the March of Dimes is to improve the health of babies by preventing birth defects, premature birth and infant mortality through research, community prgrams, education and advocacy.

Last year's march was held at Vinal and raised \$40,000.

This year's goal is \$60,000 and donations are still being taken online here.

Next year is the March of Dimes 75th Anniversary and there is a need for new committee members in Middletown to get involved with the walk planning. Contact Natalee at nmartin@marchofdimes.com or (860) 815-9357.

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