

INVEST IN PUMP FOR JOY

# Disposable, biodegradable breast milk collection kits for moms on the go

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## **Highlights**

- North Carolina Micro Grant Recipient
- 2 1st place in the 2024 53 Ideas Pitch Competition
- 3 Pitched at the Health Innovation Pitch Party



### **Featured Investor**



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Invested \$50,000 (1)



Equilibrium Impact Ventures funds companies solving for the Social Determinants of Health.

"As a small business owner and early stage investor, I know how hard it is to build a company. We have been following Pump for Joy over the course of this year and I have come to admire the team for their knowledge and focus. They bring subject matter expertise and experience building and operating, but they don't brush off questions or unknowns. They dig deep and try to understand. Our fund partners bring experience with fundraising, patents, FDA, and building brands. We invest in companies that can improve our health as a nation. We know that breastfeeding improves health outcomes for babies and mothers, putting less strain on our health care system and improving all of our lives. We also love that this novel application of material science will lead to less plastic in our landfills. As Pump for Joy finds success with disposable, biodegradable breast pump parts, they may find other applications for their materials and their core competencies, introducing new products that continue to improve our health."

### Our Team



### Erin Martin Co-Founder & CEO

Seasoned product leader with 10+ years of experience launching 0→1 products to market. She's led cross-functional teams, driven go-to-market strategy, and built scalable solutions across various fintech and consumer sectors.



### Vanessa Parker Co-Founder & COO

Serial entrepreneur with 15+ years of experience launching mission-driven ventures, including Divas In Defense and PinkBoss. She's helped thousands of women build businesses and now brings that expertise to lead ops at Pump for Joy.

# As working moms, we've experienced firsthand how hard pumping outside the home can be. We're building Pump For Joy to solve a problem we lived—so that no other mom has to feel unsupported.

Pumping while parenting isn't just inconvenient. It's a constant, invisible labor. Moms must clean and sanitize multiple pump parts several times a day, often in cars, closets, or public bathrooms. The <u>CDC's recommended</u> <u>cleaning process</u> after each use is hard to follow even in the best conditions. Breastfeeding is encouraged by society, but moms who pump get very little support.

# Breast milk is beautiful. Pumping...sucks.

**The good:** Breast milk is nutrient-rich, immune-boosting, and lowers health risks for moms and babies alike.

**The bad:** Active moms must pump away from home to maintain those benefits.

**The ugly:** They pump in cars, closets, or bathrooms, and the CDC's 8-step cleaning process is impossible to follow on the go.

Society promotes breastfeeding, but it's not set up to support active moms who pump.



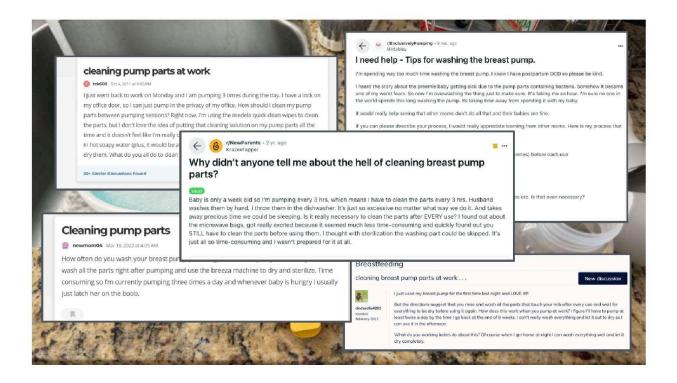
More moms stop breastfeeding sooner than they planned because of the inconvenience of

#### Percentage of infants who are breastfed:

Ever.*	84.1%
At 6 months.*	59.8%
At 1 year.*	39.5%
Exclusively through 3 months.*	46.5%
Exclusively through 6 months.*	27.2%
Receive formula supplementation within the first 2 days of life.*	20.5%

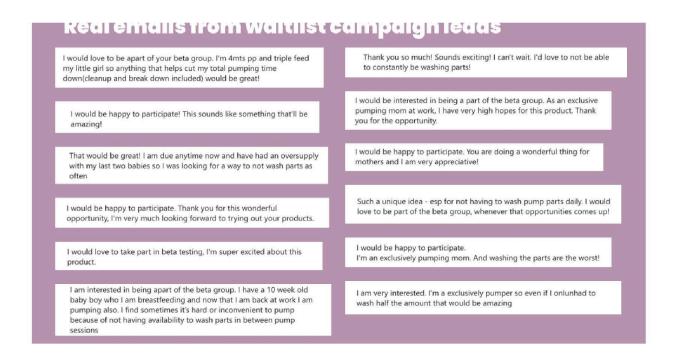
Cleaning pump parts is one of the biggest pain points for pumping moms.

Every pumping session requires multiple parts to be rinsed, cleaned, air dried, and reassembled several times a day. Moms find themselves scrubbing pieces in office sinks, car cup holders, or cramped public restrooms. It's time-consuming and usually unsanitary.



Pump for Joy eliminates the cleanup. Our patent-pending product includes every single part that comes into contact with milk, made for one-time use and fully biodegradable. Just pump, toss, and get on with your day.

Our kits are made from biodegradable materials that break down in months/years, unlike traditional plastic that lingers for 450 years.



We're building a membership-based business model that delivers convenience to moms' doorsteps. Kits are sold through a subscription membership to ensure consistent supply, engagement, and monthly recurring revenue.



We're raising our first tranche of \$100K Pre-Seed to take our prototype to the next critical milestone:

- Pilot prototypes made of biodegradable materials
- · Alpha testing and design finalization
- FDA prep and regulatory pathway clarity
- Partnership development
- Pay for co-founder and support staff

• Business operations and legal setup



Forward-looking statements are not guaranteed.

### Our Partners & Supporters:

NC IDEA: A foundation that supports early-stage startups in North Carolina through grants and mentorship. Their programs help entrepreneurs grow and launch their businesses.

53 Ideas Pitch Competition: Regional competition where entrepreneurs submit a 53-second pitch. Winners receive funding and coaching. Pump for Joy won 1st place in 2024.

LaunchCLT: Charlotte,NC-based network that connects startups with mentors, investors, and resources to help them grow.

Advisory5: Strategic advisory group that helps startups with business planning, growth strategy, and operations.

Medpoint Consulting: Regulatory consulting firm that helps health and medical product companies meet FDA standards.

### Dear Supporters,

Thank you for taking the time to learn about our journey. Pump for Joy was born from our own lived experiences and the desire to make life easier for moms who give so much every day.

We're excited to share this moment with you. Your support helps us launch a category-defining product that could change the pumping experience for millions.

Thank you for investing in our mission. Let's make breastfeeding easier, together.

Erin & Vanessa 💙

## **Downloads**



Product Demo



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