

PROJECT LINUS BLANKET GUIDELINES

A Project Linus blanket is a new, handmade, washable blanket. All blankets should be in excellent condition and of good quality. The blankets go to children, young adults (new born to 18 years old) boys & girls and women in need. Project Linus blankets go to children in hospitals, abuse shelters, foster care, low income new births, child protective services, head start programs, food banks & other like agencies in our community.

BLANKET SIZES:

Baby Blankets: 30"x 36" or 36" x 40"

Flannel Receiving Blankets: 36"x40" or 38"x38" or 40"x40"

Tummy Time: 36" x 40" or 40" x 40" NO ties

Toddler through Pre-teen: 40"x 42" or 40" x 50"

Teen to Young Adult: 40" x 50" or 50" x 60"

We do not do Preemie blankets for the Prescott Chapter

BLANKET MAKING IDEAS:

QUILTS

A quilt is defined as a blanket that has 3 layers: a TOP made with cotton fabric ~ which may be pieced or simply a single piece of fabric. A pre-printed panel makes an attractive quilt and is easily made. BATTING in the center and BACKING, which is usually a single piece of fabric. Make sure all seams are well secured. In order to keep the batting from shifting, the 3 layers of the quilt must be secured together. Either sewn together by hand, machine quilted, or tied (using yarn or thread to tie the 3 layers together) If yarn or thread is used to tie a blanket, make sure the ends are trimmed to approximately 1 inch and the knots are secure

Batting Manufacturer's Recommendations:

1. Poly Batting: Quilt or Tie every 5 inches
2. Hobbs 80/20 Batting: Quilt or Tie every 4 inches
3. Warm & Natural Batting: Quilt or Tie up to 10 inches

AFGHANS

Afghans are to be made of new acrylic yarns that are crocheted or knitted. Afghans for children should not have large holes (granny squares) or loose triple crochet stitches. Small children can get toes and fingers caught too easily. Also, be sure and tie off the yarns and weave the ends back into the afghan. The afghans can too easily unravel with just a knot & snipping the ends off.

RECEIVING BLANKETS

A piece of flannel with a hemmed edge. Two layers of flannel make a warmer, cuddlier blanket.

FLEECE BLANKETS

A very good washable blanket for all ages. Be sure & cut off the selvage (rolled) edge of the fleece. Neatly finish the edge with a hem or fringed edge. If 2 pieces of fleece are used, then be sure to place yarn ties throughout the blanket for stability.

Your blankets can be as simply and easily made as you wish or can be as creative as you wish.