

PROJECT LINUS



Help Comfort Children In Need – Provide Security Through Blankets!

Acceptable Blanketmaking Ideas and Tips

A Project Linus blanket is a **new, handmade, washable blanket**. Please insure that your blankets are **free from smokey smells or any chemicals, which could cause problems for a child**. While we love creativity, please **do not use embellishments such as buttons, glitter, beads or sequins, as these may pose a danger to the child**. The following is a list of blanketmaking tips, patterns and ideas:

Blanket Types

There are many ways to create a Project Linus Blanket. Be sure to check out the patterns that are available at www.projectlinus.org or use your own favorite pattern! Here are a just a few ideas:

Afghans – Afghans are made of yarn that is crocheted or knitted into a blanket.

Receiving Blankets – A piece of flannel fabric can be stitched into a receiving blanket by hemming the edge.

Fleece Blankets – Pieces of polar fleece may be purchased and it takes very little work to create a blanket. Serging or hemming, or cutting a fringed edge which takes no sewing at all may finish off the edge.

Quilts or Tied Comforters – A quilt is defined as a blanket with three layers; a top, batting in the center and backing.

Blanket Sizes

Blankets may be of any size, but you may consider using these guidelines:

Preemie Blankets - 30" x 40" or 36" x 36"

Baby Blankets - 36" x 36" or 36" x 42"

Toddler through Pre-Teen – 40" x 60"

Teen-sized Blanket – at least 72" long ... polar fleece comes in 50" wide, 2 yards makes a nice blanket.