

Here is how you can help:

Individually choose to make and donate a blanket or blankets to the Linus Project. Get some friends together for a few hours to do some good, or have your church group or community organization have a day of making blankets.

The need is so great right now! The storage unit is nearly empty and the need for blankets has risen so high that The Linus Project is unable to meet the monthly needs of hospitals and organizations requesting blankets!

- Project Linus welcomes all styles of blankets crocheted, knitted, quilted, fleece.
- Blankets are for infants through teen years, so any size is appropriate.
- **MATERIAL LIST TO MAKE A FLEECE BLANKET:** 3 yards of fleece and good scissors (See photos attached below for more details)

All donations benefit the Project Linus Bakersfield, CA Chapter Serving Kern County. Our local chapter is donating approximately 100-200 blankets per month to children in crisis situations in Bakersfield and surrounding areas including Ridgecrest. We want to increase the number of blankets we can donate if people can help us by making blankets!

We only accept donations of new, handmade blankets that are quilted, hand-tied, crocheted, knitted, and fleece. We do not accept used or commercially made blankets. Please use only new, clean and washable materials in infant, child or teen-friendly colors. Remember these blankets are meant to be colorful, cuddly and age appropriate. Please use soft baby-type yarn. Blankets that smell of smoke or strong chemicals, have pet hair on them, or that have a musty smell cannot be accepted as they may produce severe allergic reactions in the children. Please check and double-check your blanket carefully for straight pins. It is better that you find the pin than the child receiving it! Please make sure there are no buttons or similar decorative items on the blankets. They can be a choking hazard for children. If the blanket is tied, anchor it every 4-6 inches so the quilt will stand the test of time. The following are approximate sizes for blankets. Kids and blankets come in all sizes. We donate to all ages, newborns through teens.

Preemie and Newborn Baby Blankets starting from size: 18"x18, to 24x24

Baby minimum 30 x 36 Child 40 x 55 to 40 x 60 Teen 45 x 65 to 45 x 72

(Don't sew) Donations also accepted:

Fabric (1 1/2 yard lengths), batting, and yarn may be donated (flannel, cotton and fleece are also accepted)

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