

Our Mission

Project Linus is a 100% volunteer non-profit organization. Our mission is twofold:

First, to provide love, a sense of security, warmth and comfort to children who are seriously ill, traumatized or otherwise in need of a hug, through the gifts of new, handmade, washable blankets/quilts and afghans, lovingly crafted by volunteer "Blanketeers".

Second, Blanketeers are part of our mission: to provide a rewarding and fun service opportunity for interested individuals and groups in local communities, for the benefit of children.

We are always looking for people who:

- have time to become a Blanketeer
- have a stash of fabric/notions/yarn to donate
- have time to help organize, sort, mark blankets or distribute them
- are able to donate a tax deductible monetary gift

Communities coming together to provide security through blankets to local children undergoing difficult situations

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*Brightening a
child's day
with a blanket.*

History

Christmas Eve, 1995—An article appears in Parade Magazine entitled "Joy to the World" by Pulitzer Prize winning photo-journalist, Eddie Adams. The article features a petite, downy-haired child. She has been going through intensive chemotherapy and states that her security blanket has helped her get through treatments. Karen Loucks-Baker decides to provide homemade security blankets to Denver's Rocky Mountain Children's Cancer Center. Project Linus was born!

October 2006 — Manitoba Chapter was started in Stonewall, MB by Gayleen Nixon

April, 2012—Manitoba Statistics

- Blankets received—3,552
- Blankets distributed—3,258
- Number of Blanketeers—259

Origin of the Name

Project Linus was named after the adorable security blanket-toting character from the Peanuts comic strip. Creator Charles Schulz was aware of our effort and was delighted to have *Linus* inspire blanket makers to help comfort children in need of security.

A blanket is like a hug

When you need it the most.

How Can I Help?

Knit, crochet, quilt, sew, donate fabric/notions, pick up & deliver blankets, help package blankets, help with administration, make a financial donation.

Whoever said "nothing in life is free" never met a Project Linus blanket. The healing power of a blanket, made with love, filled with hugs and given to children by a volunteer army of strangers asking for nothing in return, is huge. "Blanketeers" make the actual items for the children. You work at home, fitting it into your schedule. All blankets are washable, handmade with new fabric (cotton, fleece, acrylic; sewn or knitted). For more information, contact us and ask for the "Blanketeer Handout".

What If I Know Someone in Need?

Just call us. Recipients of our blankets include children who are in crisis, experiencing trauma or are ill. Some places where blankets are distributed are: fire departments, police departments, mental health crisis centers, hospitals, shelters, and many more needed areas.

Remember....

All donations made in Manitoba, usually stay in Manitoba. In 2013 we assisted the Alberta chapters with blankets for the flood victims.

Financial donations support our Manitoba

Chapters

Thank you for your generosity.

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Project Linus Donation

I would like to donate:

- \$100
- \$50
- \$25
- Other _____
- Tax Deductible Receipt Required (\$25.00 and over)

Name: _____

Address: _____

Address: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Method of Payment:

- Cheque (payable to Project Linus)
- Cash

The Chapter I wish to support is:

- Manitoba
- Brandon (Westman)
- Selkirk
- Lorette