



## A Project Linus Blanket is like a HUG when it is needed the most

**What is Project Linus?** Project Linus is a national volunteer, 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization, named after the security blanket-toting character from the Peanuts comic strip.

### Project Linus has a two-fold mission:

- ♥ First, to provide love, a sense of security, warmth and comfort to children who are seriously ill, traumatized, or otherwise in need through the gifts of new, handmade blankets and afghans, lovingly created by volunteer "blanketeers."
- ♥ Second, to provide a rewarding and fun service opportunity for interested individuals and groups in local communities, for the benefit of children.

Project Linus is active in all 50 States with 368 chapters. As a result of the combined efforts of dedicated "blanketeers," **over 4 MILLION blankets** have been donated to children in crisis since its formation in December 1995. The South Bay / San Jose, CA chapter was formed in April 2002 and our volunteers have lovingly handmade and donated over 44,000 blankets that have been provided to various local organizations serving children in need. Some of our recent blanket recipients are:

- \* CASA (Child Advocates)
- \* Catholic Charities
- \* County of Santa Clara:
  - Dept. of Family & Children Services
  - Family Resource Center
  - Josefa Narvaez Public Health Nursing
  - Public Health Department
  - Social Services Agency
  - Foster & Adoptive Parent Association
- \* Eastside Public Health
- \* EHC Life Builders
- \* El Camino Hospital
- \* Gilroy Social Services
- \* Indian Health Center
- \* Invision - Georgia Travis Center
- \* Kaiser Santa Clara Hospital
- \* KAFPA
- \* Lucille Packard Children's Hospital
- \* O'Connor Hospital
- \* Parents Helping Parents
- \* Regional Medical Center
- \* Sacred Heart Community Layette Program
- \* San Jose Family Services
- \* School Health Clinics
- \* TAPS (Tragedy Assistance Program for Survivors)
- \* Unity Care
- \* Valley Medical Center

### How You Can Help:

- ♥ Become a blanketeer. Make a blanket (some blankets don't even require any sewing!) and donate it to the local chapter of Project Linus. Find out more about making blankets and where to donate them at our website [www.sjlinus.org](http://www.sjlinus.org).
- ♥ Donate blanket making supplies and/or money to the chapter to purchase blanket-making supplies. You can donate online at [www.sjlinus.org](http://www.sjlinus.org) or send donations to: Project Linus 11061 S. Stelling Rd Cupertino, CA 95014.
- ♥ Organize a group (Scouts, school service groups, church groups) to make blankets; Project Linus is an ideal Service Project for children to help other children.
- ♥ If you are part of a crochet, knitting or sewing/quilting guild or club and would like to help or arrange a speaking engagement, e-mail or call us.

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# Project Linus

Providing Security Through Blankets

The South Bay / San Jose, CA Chapter Is Celebrating



## NATIONAL MAKE A BLANKET DAY

Saturday, February 18, 2012



St. Edward's Episcopal Church  
15040 Union Avenue San Jose CA 95124

Get Involved! No Experience Necessary!

- \* Come to St. Edward's Episcopal Church on Saturday, February 18<sup>th</sup> from 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. and help make blankets.
- \* You may bring your own Project Linus blanket project to complete or try one of our group projects:
  - \* To make no-sew fleece blankets, bring 1-1/2 yards of kid-friendly, patterned fleece for each blanket you'd like to make. (We will have some fleece available for purchase - \$10 per blanket-sized piece).
  - \* Knitters and crocheters bring brightly colored, machine washable acrylic yarns, knitting needles, and crochet hooks to make 10" squares which will be joined to make patchwork blankets or create crocheted edging on fleece blankets (bring 1-1/2 yards of fleece and contrasting yarn).
  - \* Quilters bring your sewing machines and quilting supplies. We will be making simple Patriotic Fabric quilts from 7-1/2" squares (7-inch finished, or you can substitute a 4 patch for alternating squares), so bring your red, white and blue fabric and thread. The quilts will be 6 squares across and 8 squares down, with no borders. We will supply batting and backing and someone to quilt them. We already have some donated quilt tops for which we need volunteers to finish by cutting backings, pillow casing, and tying.
- \* Drop off completed blankets or knitted/crocheted 10-inch squares
- \* Come help label, tag and bag blankets for distribution
- \* Door prizes will be given away
- \* Blankets must be handmade with new, machine washable materials and for this event they should be at least 40x50 inches when finished. Single layer fleece blankets with a handmade finished edge, single layer crocheted and single layer knitted blankets are also welcome.

To reserve your space at this event, please RSVP at [sjlinus@comcast.net](mailto:sjlinus@comcast.net) (let us know which project you'll be working on and if you want to purchase fleece.) COME JOIN THE FUN. HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!!

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