

## DROP OFF LOCATIONS (April 2025)

Burlington Electric Quilters – **Burlington, MA**

Creative Warehouse - **Needham Heights**

From The Heart Quilts - **West Newbury**

Quilted Crow – **Bolton, MA**

Red Barn Sewing & Yarn Center – **Merrimack**

Revere Public Library – **Revere**

Saugus Family YMCA - **Saugus**

South End Yarn Shop – **Newburyport**

Meredith Edelstein - **Beverly** 978-387-5187

Rosemary O'Brien - **Dorchester** 617-282-5260

Marianne Ambrose - **Eastham**  
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Liz Garrigan-Byerly - **Framingham** 484-772-5472

Patti Lashoto - **Foxboro** 508-944-9640

Eileen Friedland- **Marshfield** 781-834-7062

Coco Early Real Estate- **Methuen** 978-687-8484

Nancy Kearns - **Milton** 617-333-3215  
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Laura Parisi - **Newburyport** 978-808-6669  
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True North Kitchen and Bar c/o Janet Campbell  
- **N. Weymouth** 339-201-7841

South Shore Community Action c/o Brenda Green  
- **Plymouth** 508-747-7575 x 6223

Joanne Frazier - **Revere** 781-888-1092

South Dennis Library-**South Dennis** c/o Jess Harnois  
(jessmarie.h@gmail.com) 508.394.8954

Deb Willis Bry / Wakefield-Lynnfield Methodist Church  
(WLUMC273@gmail.com)- **Wakefield** 781-521-9726

Becky Curtiss - **Watertown** 617-872-8254

## Sample Recipient Agencies & Hospitals

Anna Jaques Hospital  
Attleboro Family Shelter  
Beth Israel - NICU  
Boston Medical Center  
Brigham & Women's Hospital  
Cambridge Family &  
Children's Services  
Carolina Hill  
Catholic Charities  
Children's Hospital  
Dana-Farber Cancer Inst  
Debbie's Treasure Chest  
Dimmock Center  
DSS  
Emerson Hospital  
Franciscan Children's Hospital  
Heartbeat  
HELPIIS  
Home for Little Wanderers  
Horizons for Homeless  
Children  
House of Hope  
Jeanne Geiger Crisis Ctr  
Lowell General  
Lowell Head Start Program  
Lowell House  
Lucy's Love Bus  
Lynn Rapid Response  
Network  
Mass. Coalition for the  
Homeless  
Massachusetts Down  
Syndrome Council

Mass. General Hospital  
Melrose/Wakefield Hospital  
Metro West Medical Center  
Milton Foundation  
Milton Hospital  
Mission of Deeds  
My Brother's Keeper  
New England Medical Ctr.  
New England Pediatric Care  
Newton Head Start  
Newton Wellesley Hospital  
North Shore Medical Ctr  
Open Door Ipswich  
Community Food Pantry  
Project Hope  
Salvation Army  
Shriners' Burn Center  
Sleep in Heavenly Peace  
South Shore Hospital  
Spaulding Rehabilitation  
St. Mary's Women & Infant  
Center  
TAPS  
The Boston House  
The Wish Project  
Tufts Children's Hospital  
Waltham Creative Start  
Wellspring House  
Winchester Hospital ER  
Yawkey Family Inn  
(Children's Hospital)  
YMCA of Greater Boston  
Youth Villages

*Some of the most touching moments are when we give your blankets  
to individual children or families that we hear about either by  
personal knowledge or read about in the newspaper.*

*If you know of a child in need of a handmade hug, please contact us!*



*"The best kind of sleep under heaven above,  
is under a blanket handmade with Love."*

# Project Linus

Providing Security Through Blankets

**Greater Boston Area, MA Chapter**

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## Local Website

[www.bostonprojectlinus.com](http://www.bostonprojectlinus.com)

## National Website

[www.projectlinus.org](http://www.projectlinus.org)

## Facebook

BOSTONPROJECTLINUS

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## What is Project Linus?

Project Linus began in 1995 after Karen Loucks was inspired to make blankets for her local children's cancer center. Since then, Project Linus has expanded to include children who are seriously ill or traumatized in many ways.

### Greater Boston Chapter

The Greater Boston Chapter is in need of new handmade blankets to donate to children at local area hospitals and to other children in need of comfort.

Please contact Nancy or Dianne for more information on drop-off locations.

Also, feel free to call with any questions or suggestions.

Although most of the blankets donated to the Greater Boston Chapter stay with local children, sometimes we do send blankets to other chapters. For example, we sent blankets to victims of natural disasters such as floods.

Look at the numbers below – our “Blanketeers” are amazing!

**Thank you!**

### Blanket Totals as of October 2024

Nationally since 1995 = Over 9 million

Greater Boston Chapter, since 2001 =

Over 100,000!



**A HUGE THANK YOU to  
ALL Project Linus “Blanketeers”!**

*Your cozy blankets bring love  
& comfort to children in need.*

## How You Can Help

### DONATE a NEW Handmade Blanket.

Please see “Blanket Guidelines” for details.

PICK UP blankets from one of our drop-off locations. (Contact us)

### SEW labels on donated blankets.

### DELIVER blankets.

We need people to deliver blankets to hospitals or other recipients. (Contact us)

BECOME a drop-off location or Chapter Assistant! Call for more details!

### DONATE SUPPLIES.

Donate fabric, yarn, thread, batting, thank you notes, postage stamps, gift certificates to craft or office supply stores, etc.

### MAKE a Tax-Deductible Contribution.

Monetary contributions and memorial donations help defray the costs of our 100% volunteer effort.

### IMPORTANT NOTE

Due to Children with ALLERGIES,  
**WE CAN NOT ACCEPT** blankets with any  
**Smell of Smoke, Strong Chemicals,**  
**Perfumed fabric softeners or Pet Hair.**

Please WASH your BLANKETS before going to one of our drop-off locations. Thank You!

## Recommended Blanket Sizes

(measurements are approximate)



36" x 36" (baby)  
40" x 60" (child)  
45" x 70" (teen)  
66" x 90" (twin bed)

## Blanket Guidelines

\*Before Beginning, DO **CUT OFF Fleece SELVAGES** (white border edges with lettering)

**DO MAKE** Fleece blanket with **ONLY (1) SINGLE LAYER** OF FABRIC

**DO KNOT** each **INDIVIDUAL fleece fringe loosely** so the blanket can **LIE FLAT.**

**DO Make blankets from NEW, CLEAN, WASHABLE** materials in infant, child or teen friendly colors. Remember, these blankets are meant to be colorful, and cheerful.

**DO Crochet, knit, quilt, or tie** your blankets.

**DO Make blankets** from **100% cotton** fabric, flannel, polar fleece or acrylic yarn. (No Wool)

**DO Make SURE your blankets are clean.** We cannot accept blankets with pet hair or the smell of smoke or perfume on them.

**DO Secure the batting into outer seams.** If blanket is tied, please anchor it every 4-6 inches, so it doesn't fall apart when washed.

**DO Weave in all yarn ends** on crocheted and knitted blankets.

**DO Check blanket carefully for straight pins!** It's better you find that pin and not the child who receives your blanket.

**DO Let us know your contact information** so we can thank you. Please include a note when delivering a blanket. Simply include a note in the bag you drop-off.

**DO NOT Attach Buttons** or similar decorative items to a blanket. They can be a choking hazard to children.

**DO Construct** blanket so blanket **LIES FLAT.**

### NO-SEW BLANKET VIDEOS

[www.youtube.com/watch?v=U8\\_qRIu5Aq0](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=U8_qRIu5Aq0)  
[www.projectlinus.org/pdf/No\\_Sew\\_Fleece\\_Blanket %231.pdf](http://www.projectlinus.org/pdf/No_Sew_Fleece_Blanket_%231.pdf)

