

Blanket Guidelines

We accept blankets made with **NEW, CLEAN, AND WASHABLE** materials in child or teen friendly colors. We accept blankets that are crocheted, quilted, knitted, fleece blankets, or tied comforters.

Note: Blankets that smell of smoke or strong chemicals, or have pet hair on them, or are musty smelling cannot be accepted as they may produce severe allergic reactions in the children. Rarely, we have had to deem a blanket unacceptable. These blankets are then donated to other charities.

Approximate sizes: (measurements need not be exact)

Children's blankets: 42" x 60

Teen's blankets: 45" x 72" (maximum size)

Suggested materials:

- 100% cotton fabric
- flannel
- polar fleece
- acrylic yarn

Unsuitable materials:

- denim, tapestry, polyester double knit, felt, vinyl, wool, corduroy, burlap
- wool yarn
- materials that aren't cuddly & soft
- used, soiled or old materials

Important Reminders:

- Batting in quilts should be securely sewn into outer seams.
- If the blanket is tied, anchor it every 4-6 inches and cut ties to 1 inch or less in length.
- Do not attach buttons or similar decorative items to blankets; they can be choking hazards for children.
- Please be sure to **COMPLETE** the construction of your blanket.
- Please remove all pins before turning in your blanket--check, double check and triple check it please. It's better you find that pin and not the child who receives your blanket.

Thank you, from CARES Northwest.

