

A Blanket of My Own A Hug from God

Abba's Home Ministry and the Sewing Ministry are working together to provide comfort and security to children in foster care by providing personalized blankets.

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Children in the foster care system are in a stressful family crisis situation. Often these children have few or no possessions of their own. A personalized blanket can give them some comfort and let them know that we care about them. While providing a child with a "Blanket of My Own" will not solve all their problems, it can bring some sense of security and rest. Abba's Home Ministry has become aware of children who can benefit from a "Blanket of My Own." These regular blankets are appropriate for beginning sewists.

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Many foster children have medical conditions that make it difficult for them to rest. Often a weighted blanket can give a child a sense of security that a standard blanket cannot. Weighted blankets often sell for \$100-\$200, so are typically not available to foster children. A simple grid sewn into the blanket holds pellets that add weight and comfort.

Kits and instructions are available to anyone who would like to help make blankets that will provide comfort to many foster and adopted children in our community. You can be a part of providing these children with "a Hug from God."

If you cannot sew, you can donate!

We are in need of fabric suitable for blankets. Flannel and cotton and fleece in juvenile prints and colors are needed. Most popular requests for boys are Super Heroes, Lightening McQeen, camo, sports and the colors of red and blue. Requests from girls include princesses, fairies (Tinkerbell), Hello Kitty and the colors purple and pink. 1.5 Yard lengths are ideal for children's blankets, but smaller pieces will work!

Donations to purchase the poly pellets for weighted blanket

Most importantly we need laborers. If you can sew a straight line or would like to learn to sew a straight line, you can help.

If you would like to help please contact Heather Blum at 407-619-8804 OR Kathy McDaniel at 913-536-5951.