

York County Quilters Guild Outreach Program

Hello Ladies,

We are so excited to announce to you that we are getting the Outreach Program up and running again. Denise Kania has volunteered to be my equal partner in this endeavor.

We had some quilts in storage and delivered about 40 of them to Piedmont Medical Center. The remainder of them, about 15, will be delivered to The Pilgrims Inn in December. Below I will be giving an overview of each of our “Partners” (the Outreach Facility), the size quilt we will need, and places you can drop them off.

1 - Piedmont Medical Center (Ongoing)

The hospital has two needs:

1. Women who have lost babies. These women need some love after their loss. So these “Comfort Quilts” will go to them.
2. Women who come to the hospital to have babies but do not have much of anything else, materialistically. So this is a little “Blessing Quilt” for these ladies. We have chosen a larger size so as the child grows, they can continue to use it.

Comfort Quilt Sizes: 50”-60” x 70”

Blessing Quilt Sizes: 42” x 50” (By keeping it under 45”, the backing will be easy.)

2 - Pilgram's Inn (Ongoing)

This facility has 10 apartments, shelters 14 beds, a day care center, and a food pantry. They care for women and children up to 5 years old.

This outreach has two needs:

1. Women's quilts Sizes: 60” x 90”
2. Children's quilt Sizes: 42” X 50”

3 - Haven's Men Shelter (New Outreach)

This facility has 24 beds, all twin size. As I learn more about this outreach, I will pass on the information. Now we get to make some quilts for men!

This outreach has one need:

1. Men's quilts Sizes: 60" x 90"

4 - Rock Hill Dialysis (New Outreach)

I personally am very excited about this outreach. I hate being cold and the dialysis center has to keep the facility on the colder side. With this being said, they currently care for 95 patients, 18 years and older, with no pediatric patients.

This outreach needs men's or women's quilts

1. Sizes: 60" x 80"

Any of these quilts can be within 5" of the given demensions, one way or the other.

DROP OFF HOUSES: (Please call before drop off)

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(Rock Hill > April - Nov., In Florida >Dec. - March)

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As Denise and I wade through the water and get our feet wet, we will keep you informed of our progress. As we find out things, we'll let you know. This is a work in progress, but it is progressing. Suggestions and past information are always welcomed.

SCRAPS - We want to encourage you all to rummage through your scrape

fabric. If you are like me, you will never live long enough to use it all so why not start using it. I hope to include some simple patterns for scrappy quilts in the future when I get more organized. Also FYI, we do have material in the storage shed for use. Denise will be doing an inventory in December and more information will follow on that. Denise already has a few quilt kits with patterns ready for anyone to sew. (call)

BATTING - The guild has provided batting for anyone who needs it. Denise has it at her house. We are also asking if you have left over pieces of batting that you don't want to bother with, we will take them and sew them together.

QUILTING VOLUNTEERS - In the past we are not sure how you got your quilts quilted. We are asking people who have long arm sewing machines if they would donate some of their time to quilt some of these quilts, if you cannot quilt them yourself. Tying is also acceptable. If you like sewing on bindings, let us know and we will put you down.

If you have any quilts to donate toward any of these outreach partners, call to let us know. I would love to start blessing the men's shelter as well as the dialysis center, as we have already given to the other two. However, these partners will be ongoing and new partners will be added as the need is found.

Once last thing - Please pray over these quilts as you make them. You don't have to know who they are going to but God already knows. I just want these hand made items to feel the love of God and through prayer that can happen. So, with all that being written, let us get ready to

BLESS our community with LOVE

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