

MOST NEEDED HANDMADE ITEMS

NB - all items must be machine washable

Please do not work or handle items while you have an infectious illness

WOMEN

Hats, scarves, neck warmers, gloves and fingerless mittens - ideally they should be warm, simple patterns (not frilly or lacy), with some in darker colours

MEN

Hats (with no pompoms), gloves/fingerless mittens, scarves and balaclavas all in darker colours and patterns suitable for homeless men. Jumpers - especially sleeveless, Please make sure the neck openings are large enough.

ELDERLY MEN AND WOMEN

Cardigans, men's sleeveless jumpers, bed jackets, bed socks, leg warmers and twiddle muffs (brightly and imaginatively decorated muffs especially for dementia patients) <https://www.ouh.nhs.uk/patient-guide/documents/twiddle-muffs.pdf>

KNEE BLANKETS

Minimum size of 3' x 3' (90cm x 90cm) and no bigger than 3' x 4' (90cm x 120cm) or they can become a trip hazard

BED BLANKETS AND QUILTS

Minimum size of 4' x 5' (120cm x 150cm)

BABIES

Ideally in pastel colours - Baby shawls with no fringes, cardigans (not matinee jackets), hats and booties. Buggy and pram blankets - about 2' x 3' (60cm x 80/90cm)

CHILDREN (up to age 10)

Ideally in fun colours and patterns - hats, scarves, mittens, cardigans, jumpers - Please make sure the necks are large enough AND have button openings.

Please note that if we have more hand knitted, sewn or crocheted items than we are able to distribute, particularly babies' and children's, we will choose some to sell at Guild events to help raise funds for the purchasing of other items of clothing and bedding.



NEONATAL UNITS - MOST NEEDED ITEMS

NB - all items must be MACHINE WASHABLE AT 40 C. Please do not handle items while you have an infectious illness. NO ribbons or ties on any items and please ensure you cast on off loosely. NOT ALL WHITE ITEMS please, pastels or bright colours needed

WOOLLEN HATS – minimum circumference of 6" (15cm)

MITTEN AND BOOTEE SETS - some with hats, 'newborn' size or 'tiny' size

JERSEY COTTON HATS, SOCKS AND MITTENS

V NECKED CARDIGANS** – No holey patterns that trap little fingers please
12", 14" and 16" (30cm, 35cm and 40cm) in 4ply or DK

KNITTED INCUBATOR BLANKETS in pastel or bright colours

****16" x 32" (40cm x 80cm)**

****14" x 18" (35cm x 45cm)**

20" x 24" (50cm x 60cm)

Tiny blankets – any size from a minimum of 8"x11" A4 size (21cm x 30cm) to 20" (50cm) square

Pattern for tiny blankets: <https://www.knitpicks.com/patterns/free-dishcloth-patterns/c/300256> Please adjust pattern to the size required

PADDED QUILTS 18" x 18" (45cm x 45cm) As babies are sometimes lain on them they need to be very soft and smooth, with loose backs or sewn through near the edge only
14" x 18" (35cm x 45cm) and 14" x 20" (35cm x 50cm) in Christmas and other patterns on one side and baby fabric on the other. Please contact us for specific instructions for quilts.

QUILTS AS INCUBATOR SHADES – with neutral or pastel colour lining. Any size to a maximum of 36"x36" (90cm square)

OCTOS – Octos are for babies to grip, these remind them of the umbilical cord which they hold in the womb, this relaxes them and helps improve their breathing. No painted-on faces or buttons and yarn must be washable at 60 C please

Octo pattern: <https://www.spruttegruppen.dk/recipes/> **** Most needed items**

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