

Wrapped in Love Notes - February 2019

February is the season of love and our dedicated volunteers assisted in sending out 65 hand crocheted and knitted items to our donor families, all made from the heart!

Often I hear stories of coincidence (or not) when a donor family receives a shawl. Recently a donor family was visited by a friend, Betty, when a package arrived at the door from NJ Sharing Network. It was one of our lovely blankets. Betty happens to be an employee of one of the hospitals we service and she has been instrumental in sending us crocheted items created by one of her dedicated hospital volunteers, Marge. She was able to see firsthand the reaction and appreciation of the donor family after months of graciously ensuring Marge's lovely blankets and shawls found their way to our Wrapped in Love program! I don't have an exact count but I would estimate Marge has single handedly crocheted a few hundred blankets and shawls for our program.



See photo of Marge displaying one of her blankets as well as several bags of items she created for our donor families! Betty proudly stands by her side. Special thanks to our Hospital Services Manager, Tina Bezerra, who was instrumental in bringing the shawls to us! Three people played a part from the time the items were crocheted to the time they reached our headquarters – after that our own dedicated group of volunteers sewed on labels, added cards, and packaged – great team effort!

We received some very kind words of appreciation from our donor families recently:

“Yesterday I received a package with a beautiful handmade throw in honor of my son who passed away 11/11/16. It kind and generous my son was. Would you be able to say thank you to volunteer Marge who handmade the gift? I'd appreciate it.”

“Good Morning, On behalf of my family and me, I wanted to say thank you. I received a knitted blanket yesterday. I truly appreciate it, whoever knitted it did a great job, it's beautiful! Thank you for thinking of me and my four children. Sincerely, wife of a donor.”

Thanks to everyone who supports our Wrapped in Love Program – we greatly appreciate all you do. Please help us spread the word so we can continue to grow!

Enjoy your day! In gratitude,
Lisa Colasurdo
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