Make Tie Fleece Blankets

Thank you for volunteering your time to make a tie fleece blanket! Each blanket donated will be added to a Welcome Home kit and distributed to our community this November through United Way’s Home for Good initiative.

To donate blankets, email VolunteerUnited@gtcuw.org for available drop off days/times.

Materials Needed:
- 2 pieces of fleece - each piece of fabric should be 2 yards or 72” x 60”, for a total of 4 yards
- Scissors Ruler
- Cardboard, paper or grocery bag (to create your template)

Fleece can be purchased online and delivered directly to your home!
- When selecting fleece, please choose neutral colors and simple designs. You can find great options at Amazon & Joann Fabrics.
- If purchasing fleece on Amazon, search “fleece blanket kit.” They offer bundles that contain two pieces of fabric. Price ranges from about $18-$25 depending on vendor and Prime membership.
- If purchasing fleece from Joann Fabrics, search “fleece.” Choose two different pieces of fleece, each in a 2-yard cut. Price is about $22 per blanket, depending on print or color choice.

Approximately 1,400 households in the greater Twin Cities transition from homelessness to stable housing each year yet lack essential household items for a safe, stable home.

United Way’s Home for Good initiative provides Welcome Home kits full of essential supplies to support families and individuals transitioning into a new home. We need volunteers and supporters like you to help achieve this goal and support local families.

Questions? Contact VolunteerUnited@gtcuw.org
Tie Fleece Blanket Instructions:
1. Cut off the selvage edges on the fleece. The selvage is the machine-finished edge along two edges of the fabric.

2. Place the two pieces of fleece on top of each other so the edges line up. Trim the fabric to make them the same size, if necessary.

3. Create the templates. Using a piece of paper, cardboard or grocery bag and a ruler, make a 5” x 5” square and a 1” x 5” strip.

4. Use the square templates to cut out 5” x 5” pieces of fleece in all four corners through both layers of fleece.

5. Make fringe strips by cutting approximately 1” strips 5” deep through both layers of fleece. Cut fringe strips around the entire blanket.

6. Tie a double knot using two strips of fleece – one on top and one on the bottom of each other. Tie knots all around the blanket. You are done!

Diagram