

Wrapped in Care

Knit a shawl for someone who must leave the Birth Center or Newborn Intensive Care Unit with empty arms.

What is this program about?

The Birth Center of United Hospital and the Newborn Intensive Care Units of Children's Hospital and Clinics of Minnesota have initiated a shawl project as part of their bereavement support program for women who suffer the death of an infant.

This program will allow mothers to be wrapped in the warmth of shawls during a very traumatic and painful time. In addition, if the mother is not discharged yet, they can also provide a far more beautiful background than a hospital gown for pictures that will be treasured for a lifetime.

What can I do?

Share a very special and generous gift by knitting a shawl for the program. Hand-knit items are a treasure.

If you do not have time to knit a shawl, financial contributions are also welcome. (See contact information below).

Sorry, but we are unable to accept yarn donations.

What kind of shawl is needed?

The shawls can be of different sizes, shapes and colors. Prayer shawl patterns work well. There is some funding available to reimburse for the cost of the yarn. Please follow these criteria when selecting yarns:

- Soft yarn, easy – care fibers preferred (please include care instructions if possible)
- Yarns that are one color in soft hues without a pattern or variegation work best for photographs

Where do I send my finished shawl?

Mail your shawl or monetary contribution to:

Checks should be made payable to "Perinatal Loss Care Fund"

Rev. Dee Moore
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<http://www.knitters.org/>

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<http://www.unitedhospital.com/ahs/united.nsf/>

Susan Rainey of The Rainey Sisters (free patterns available)
<http://therainey SISTERS.com/>