

The Starshine Project Founders: Linda Counsell Naïla Erwin Joan Munley

There are no administrative costs or fees related to this all-volunteer project. All hand-crafted items and donations go to selected agencies or individual recipients.

### Meeting Dates: 2023

Last Tuesday each month 9:00 AM – 11:00 AM Starlight Pines Community Center

Feb. 28 March 28 April 25

<u>* May 23</u>	4 <sup>th</sup> Tuesday	June 27
July 25	Aug. 29	Sept. 26
Oct. 31	Nov. 28	

**Steering Committee** 

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### <sup>The</sup> STARSHINE PROJECT



A nonprofit, volunteer project

to give hand-made,

and gently used or new,

donated blankets, quilts, caps,

scarves, clothing and other warming items to children

and adults in need.

About the Starshine Project...

Our inspiration came from "Project Linus" which is a nation-wide program to provide blankets for seriously ill or traumatized children. The Project Linus members make colorful blankets that are given to the children to comfort them.

Our group met, discussed our ideas and agreed that we wanted to expand the original scope of Project Linus to include baby and adult items and hygiene kits.

### We discovered a need to:

### \* Serve a larger population.

We want to reach infants, children, convalescents, seniors, veterans and homeless citizens.

### \* Serve local communities.

Many of our smaller, rural areas and cities as well as nearby Indian reservations have residents and homeless populations in great need.

### We felt a need to:

## \* Involve others in all phases of our project.

Paticipants can be full time or part time residents in the Happy Jack area. Many items for donation can be made at home.

We need help making, collecting, sorting and distributing the items to be donated.

We need help in identifying and selecting the individuals and non-profit organizations who will receive our contributions

# \* Be personally involved in the distribution of the items made by our project members.

Rather than turn in our hand-made items for distribution nation-wide, we want to be directly involved in the selection of the individuals and/or organizations that receive our contributions.

\* Develop a unique identity and charter for our group and project.

A Steering Committee met and worked on the purpose of the group. We revisit/change projects each year.

#### We saw a need to:

## \* Teach others the crafts of crocheting, blanket or quilt making.

Experience in quilting, blanket making or crocheting is NOT necessary. Some projects are easy to learn. There are Individuals who can teach a new member. We appreciate any way that you can contribute your time and/or talent to our project.

### \* Include other items such as quilts, stocking caps and scarves.

The Project Linus charter is exclusive: blankets for children. Our group members, on the other hand, wanted to crochet, knit, quilt and sew blankets, caps, scarves, mittens and booties for adults as well as for children. We also accept gently used and new donated items such as coats, underwear, socks and baby items.

#### AND THAT'S WHAT WE'RE ALL ABOUT!

