

2024 Wrapped in Support Blankets for Older Youth Kick Off

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Submitted by: Andrea Merovich

Each year, a group of crafty knitters, crocheters, and quilters team up to produce blankets for the older youth in attendance at our annual Older Youth Retreat. For the past few years, each youth in attendance chooses their very own handmade blanket, leaving the retreat "wrapped in support."

We continue these efforts again this year – and you are invited to join in! Here's how you can help:

- Crochet or knit a blanket.
- Want to start smaller? Knit or crochet 8-inch by 8-inch squares (any color, any stitch). Each blanket is 5 squares wide by 7 squares long. That's 35 squares per blanket. Send us your squares or stitch the blanket together yourself first.
- Want to start even smaller? We can send you a blanket kit with all the tools one needs to assemble the blanket.
- Don't know how to knit or crochet? We can teach you at one of our monthly Lunch & Learn sessions.

Lunch & Learns are on the second Tuesday of every month from 12 noon to 1 p.m. via Zoom. To RSVP and receive a meeting invite, email Andrea Merovich at anm222@pitt.edu.

Have completed blankets or squares?

Send them to: CWRC c/o Wrapped in Support Project 403 East Winding Hill Road Mechanicsburg, PA 17055

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To join the Wrapped in Support Blanket Project mailing list, email Kathleen Swain at <u>kls120@pitt.edu</u> or Andrea Merovich at <u>anm222@pitt.edu</u>.





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Save the Date for Pitt Day of Giving, February 27

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Each year in February, the University of Pittsburgh holds the Pitt Day of Giving. It's an opportunity to give back to programs that are near and dear to your heart. This is a fundraising event for alumni, faculty, staff, and friends to support the areas of the University that mean the most to you, including The Pitt Social Work: Child Welfare Education and Research Programs.

More information is forthcoming. In the meantime, mark your calendars for February 27, 2024. Early giving starts February 20.

Bridge Update

Submitted by: Kari Giles

Coming Soon to Bridge

- A red asterisk has been added to the instructor biography area to indicate it is a mandatory field.
- In the "Approval Request Queue" filter, there is now a "Personal View" option available to liaisons and county administrators, which will display items that only pertain to them personally such as workshop evaluations, instructor schedule requests, etc.
- Attendance dates and registration status in the "Manage Attendance" screen have been redesigned as toggle buttons.
- In the "Manage Users" screen, there are two new fields to search by either email or username.

For Further Assistance

- For anyone who would like to set up a one-on-one Bridge training via Microsoft Teams, please contact <u>BridgeHD@pitt.edu</u>. This training can be for new liaisons or for anyone who may need a refresher.
- We would also love to hear any feedback, suggestions, and ideas you may have about Bridge via our online form at http://forms.cwrc.pitt.edu/BridgeFeedback/.
- If you have any technical issues or questions, please email the Bridge team at BridgeHD@pitt.edu.



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