Coming Together As One.

Birthdate. Diagnosis date. Pumping date. 3 a.m. blood sugar checks. Wishes for a cure. Smiles. Lots of smiles. All can be found in the Children with Diabetes® Quilt for Life®.

With the Quilt for Life®, diabetes is transformed from the impersonal to the personal, from the abstract world of numbers to the real world of children living everyday with finger sticks and insulin injections.

The Quilt for Life®, allows us to see the wonder of our children as we rededicate ourselves to finding a cure for type 1 diabetes.

What is the Quilt for Life®?

Diabetic families can let their voices be heard and counted through the Children with Diabetes® Quilt for Life®. With each 3’ x 3’ quilt square representing someone with diabetes, this powerful message reminds the world that our children are real people with hopes and dreams.

Please consider sending a quilt square in honor of your loved one.
If you have a story to share and want to add to the Quilt for Life®, please follow the submission guidelines.
Can I Participate in the Quilt for Life®?

Yes! Design your square! Quilt squares can be for anyone with type 1 diabetes -- child or adult.
If you have more than one child with type 1 diabetes, each may contribute a square.

Squares need the following:

Each quilt square should be 3 feet by 3 feet (about 92 centimeters square) when completed.
Larger panels are very difficult to show with the other quilts.
Each quilt square must be be fully finished and hemmed.
Please do not send an un-hemmed square because we are not able to hem it for you.
Anything glued on needs to be very securely attached.
Unfortunately, we cannot be responsible for pieces that might fall off.
Glued pieces rarely survive one showing. :(
The square needs to have your name and address on the back*.
*As a suggestion, with permanent marker, write it on a separate piece of cloth and sew that to the back of the quilt.

Choose whatever material you wish. There are no rules about types of material, patterns, colors, etc.
Please do not attach "sharps" to your square. This is a safety concern.
After you've completed your quilt square, fill in the Quilt Submission Form and send it with your quilt to the address shown on the form.
It's that easy!

View Quilt Stories Online

Photographs of each quilt square, along with information about the person behind the square, will be available online via a searchable database. When you send in your square, please include a photograph of the person so it too can be included in the online archive. The online archive can be found at www.childrenwithdiabetes.com/activities/quilt/pages.
Instructions

Complete the Quilt Submission Form we have provided for each quilt square that you send. Each quilt square should be 3 feet by 3 feet (about 92 cm by 92 cm). Quilts with batting hold up and display better than single pieces of fabric.

Mail completed form, along with quilt square, to:

Children with Diabetes, Inc.
8216 Princeton-Glendale Road, PMB 200
West Chester, OH 45069-1675
USA

Please wrap your quilt in plastic before placing it inside an envelope or box to ship. This will protect it from getting wet in transit.

Important Suggestions:

Everything on the quilt should be fabric.
The quilt must have a finished edge.
Ragged edged quilts require us to finish them before they can be displayed.
Please do not use sticky fabric paints on the quilt.
Quilts are stored folded in thirds vertically and sticky fabric paint will peel off.
Photos should be iron-on or printed to canvas and sewn on.
Photographs that are attached to the quilt will fall off.
Each quilt should be for one person. Please do not send in one quilt for multiple people.

Include the completed form with the quilt, and write your name on the back of the quilt and on any photos that you send.
Creative Ideas

If you're not sure what to put on your quilt square, here are some suggestions:

1. Use iron on transfer paper to print a photo of your child (or yourself) on the fabric.

2. If you participate in sports, include a jersey from the sport.

3. Use fabric markers to draw on a square, if you're unsure about quilting.

4. Include the flag of your state or country, to show the global reach of type 1 diabetes.

5. Please send a photograph of the person for whom the quilt square is made. This will be included in the online database of the quilt.

6. What if I've Never Quilted Before?
   Making a quilt square can be very simple - or very complicated! The choice is entirely yours!
   For more information about the CWD Quilt for Life®, please contact:
Quilt for Life® Submission Form

Each quilt should honor one person. Please do not send in one quilt for multiple people. Remember to include this completed form with your quilt. Write your name on the back of the quilt and on any photos that you send.

Date: ____________________________

Quilt Square Made For: ____________________________

(For Example, Child’s Name): ____________________________

Birthdate: ____________________________

Date Diagnosed: ____________________________

Parent’s Name if above person is under 18 years old: ____________________________

Address: ____________________________

City, State, ZIP/Postal Code: ____________________________

Country: ____________________________

Phone: ____________________________

E-Mail Address: ____________________________

Initial ____________________________

I understand that the quilt becomes the property of Children with Diabetes® and will be kept as part of the overall Quilt for Life®. I understand that quilt squares will not be returned to me. I also understand that the quilt squares may be photographed and used as part of other CWD projects to raise awareness of type 1 diabetes, including press releases, flyers, and other printed matter.

Signature ____________________________

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