

San Diego North Coast Knitters Guild Charitable Giving in 2025

Thanks to the generosity of our Guild members, 1,556 items were provided to various non-profit organizations in 2025, mostly from their own fiber. Others made things from the yarn remaining from the Stash Sale, provided for Philanthropy.

Charities receiving items directly from the Guild:

1. **Casa de Amparo** (San Marcos, CA) – hats, baby blankets, sweaters, pants – serving foster youth who survived trauma, and those with their babies.
2. **Fill-a-Belly** (North Coast San Diego County, CA) – hats, scarves, soap sacks, gloves, socks – serving underhoused individuals in the area seeking food and other supports.
3. **Kiwanis** (San Marcos, CA) – soap sacks – serving underhoused individuals.
4. **Mexican Medical Ministries** (Tijuana, Mexico) – hats, scarves – serving low-income children at holiday season.
5. **Nana's lil' Helpers** (North County San Diego, CA) – hats, scarves, lap blankets – serving low-income seniors in care facilities ensuring they receive a holiday gift.
6. **One Safe Place** (Sharia's Closet in San Marcos, CA) – scarves, shawlettes, sweaters, vests, cowls, purse – serving survivors of domestic abuse.
7. **Operation Gratitude** (Chatsworth, CA) – scarves, hats – serving active duty military and veterans.
8. **Scripps & Sharp Health** (San Diego County, CA) – scarves, hats, knitted knockers, shawls, gloves, lap blankets, pillow – serving primarily those dealing with cancer and chemo.
9. **Straight from the Heart** (North County, CA) – hats, sweaters – serving families caring for foster youth.
10. **VisTAY House** (Vista, CA operated by Urban Angels) – larger blankets, hat, scarves – serving former foster youth under 26 years old.
11. **Water By Women** (International) – cotton filter covers to protect water filters – serving communities of need with tools to provide clean water and save lives.
12. **Wounded Warrior Homes** (North County San Diego, CA) - blankets – serving women veterans and their children with housing at no charge for up to two years.

Charities receiving items directly from members:

1. **Camp Julian Oak Ranch** (Julian, CA) – hats for youth at camp
2. **El Refugio Senior Housing** (Tijuana, Mexico, made by Solana Beach Seniors) – hats – for low-income seniors.
3. **First Church** (Woburn, Mass.) – hats, mittens - serving low-income community.

4. **New Day Urban Ministry** (Downtown San Diego, CA, made by Solana Beach Seniors) – hats and scarves – serving underhoused adults.
5. **North Coast Church Ministry** (North Coast San Diego, CA made by Solana Beach Seniors) – hats and scarves – serving underhoused community members.
6. **Orphanage in Ecuador** (Ecuador, made by Solana Beach Seniors) – sweaters and hats – serving orphaned children in Ecuador.
7. **Revision Arts Studio** (San Diego Area) – various craft projects – serving adults with disabilities including developmentally disabled.