



Coffee Creek Quilters

Two for charity, one for myself, and all from the heart!

Sponsor a Quilter – Make a Difference!

Who are the Coffee Creek quilting students?

Incarcerated women at the Coffee Creek Correctional Facility living in the minimum-security dormitories; most are between 25 and 45 years old.

Many have experienced interpersonal violence, homelessness and the absence of supportive families and positive role models growing up.

Many have mental health and substance abuse needs and chronic medical conditions.

What do they learn?

The Coffee Creek Quilters (CCQ) program teaches them patience, perseverance, problem-solving and the importance of quality work. They also experience the joy of giving as they learn to make two quilts for charity and one for themselves, which they often give to a child or another loved one.

What have Coffee Creek quilting students said?

"This was the first time I felt good about myself in prison. Making my first quilt gave me the self-confidence that I could finish something."

"It's hard to accept that after always being told you're no good, someone tells you you're doing a good job, so thanks for encouraging me."

"I've never worked so hard to do my best quality work; I'm so proud of my quilts and doing something for someone else."

How much does it cost?

CCQ is an all-volunteer effort. Although most of the fabric for student quilts is donated, on average, it costs around \$100 for each student who goes through the CCQ program.

Quilting expenses include thread, quilt batting, replacement blades for rotary cutters, sewing machine needles and replacing sewing machines, irons, ironing boards and cutting mats as needed. Other expenses include printing brochures and storage rental for the fabric "stash".

What can you do?

We invite you to participate in CCQ's efforts by donating \$100 to sponsor a quilter for the year she is in the program. We welcome one-time contributions as well as annual donations.

Direct contact with students is not possible; they are very grateful for "outside" support & caring!

CCQ is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization, so your donation is tax deductible. Please make your check payable to **Coffee Creek Quilters** and mail it to us at: P. O. Box 2672, Wilsonville, OR 97070.

If you have any questions, please call us at 503-257-1320 or visit us at www.coffeecreekquilters.org.

Thanks from all of us at Coffee Creek Quilters!