

Blanket patchwork quilt

One of the simplest ways to make your community quilt is to use a large blanket and add your squares to it.



What you'll need:

- Large blanket (ideally plain so messages can be seen on top)
- Fabric
- Fabric glue
- A needle and thread (optional)
- Pinking shears or scissors
- To decorate: fabric pens and paint, fabric glue, embroidery thread and needles, scrap pieces of fabric, any other decorative touches eg buttons.

Instructions:

- Cut out your fabric patches (using [our template for a 15x15 cm square](#)). If you cut them with [pinking shears](#) it'll mean the fabric won't fray and you won't need to hem the squares. If you use regular scissors, you might need to [hem](#) each fabric square. Make sure to leave room for a hem if you need it by using [our 18x18 cm template](#) instead.
- Decorate your fabric patches on stalls, at community events, by distributing them to partners and at your quilt-making event. Use fabric pens, paints, embroidery and fabric glue to add your community's messages to the patches. Make sure to add your campaign name too and make it visible. Use [our template letters](#) for this.
- Use fabric glue or a simple [straight stitch](#) to attach your fabric patches and campaign name to your blanket.
- You can make a start attaching these to your quilt ahead of your quilt-making event, but leave space and time for any additional squares to be added on the day. You could also attach blank squares to the blanket, which can then be decorated on the day of your event.