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Bears, Blankets and Books Anniversary Giving

The Norfolk District branches of the Women’s Institute celebrated the 122st Anniversary of the Federated Women’s Institute of Ontario on February 19 with a donation to the Norfolk General Hospital. Over 40 special kits including a bear, a blanket and a book were created and donated to be given to children while at the hospital. The Institute does this as part of their outreach to the community; part of their mandate to further support women and children.

The WI packages were accepted by Ben Speers, Director of the Emergency Department and will be distributed to children through the Volunteers Association’s Share Bear program. A visit to the ED can be such a trying and stressful time for children and their parents or grandparents. Receiving a bear, blanket or book can bring down that stress level.

The Norfolk District WI includes 7 branches in Bealton, Langton, Lynedoch, Marburg, St. Williams, Victoria and Walsingham. They have donated similar kits to the Norfolk Hospital Nursing Home and other Nursing Homes in the community. For more information about the organization please visit: www.fwio.on.ca



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