



# St Martins

## The Knitted House

Last year an estimated 4,677 people slept rough on the streets of England. Whilst the efforts of St Martins and others have reduced this number locally, there is still so much to do.

St Martins has supported homeless people in Norwich and Norfolk for over 40 years. Our aim is to support people out of homelessness and into independence. We want to reduce the number of people sleeping rough in Norwich to as close to zero as possible.

As part of our continuing efforts to provide more than a home for the homeless, we are embarking on a project to raise public awareness of St Martins and to inform people of the issues around homelessness.

We plan to construct a giant knitted house and we need your help!

We are asking members of the public to knit a scarf for us. We want 4,677 in total to represent every person who slept rough last year. We will then construct these into a giant house to be displayed in Norwich Cathedral in time for World Homelessness Day on October 10th.

We need you to knit a scarf (or scarves) that are 1 metre long and 15cm wide. They can be any colour or design that you like, because we want varied scarves to represent the variety of people sleeping rough.

Unfortunately 600 of these scarves will be black, and each one will represent a person who died whilst on the streets last year.

The house will be on public display from 7<sup>th</sup> October to 14<sup>th</sup> October at Norwich Cathedral.

### How to get involved

**Knit a scarf 1m x 15cm (that's about 40 inches x 6 inches)**

**Send your finished scarf to St Martins, 35 Bishopgate, Norwich NR1 4AA or to the drop-off point at Norwich Cathedral**

**For more information visit [www.stmartinshousing.org.uk/knittedhouse](http://www.stmartinshousing.org.uk/knittedhouse)**



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