

It has been a very busy year for procurement. With the lifting of COVID restrictions groups have finally been able to get together for sew days. Approximately 190 bolts of backing fabric and 85 rolls of batting have been shipped across Canada to our regional representatives and group leaders. Our Hug Block Program was busy once again this year. As part of celebrating Quilt Canada in June we ran another successful Hug Block contest and awarded a Janome sewing machine to a randomly selected participant. Northcott's release of the 10th Anniversary Oh Canada collection gave us the opportunity to offer a new fat quarter bundle in the online store. The online store was busy showcasing items and making in person sales during Quilt Canada and the remainder of The Poppy Panels were sold.

June 2022 also brought a new position to the procurement team. We now have a Distribution Manager. This allows supplies to be shipped from Trenton Transition Centre to other Transition Centers in Canada. This addition did not change any of the procedures for requesting and receiving for our representatives but it does help greatly behind the scenes in getting supplies out as cost effectively and efficiently as possible.

Plans are already underway for the QOVC National Sew Day Friday Feb 3, 2023 and Quilt Canada 2023 in Halifax. Paul Leger's newest QOVC pattern has been released in the Canadian Quilter Magazine. Paul will demonstrate the pattern at our National Sew Day and kits will be available in the online store. Coordination has begun for another custom QOVC panel release. We have seen the images for Northcott's upcoming Oh Canada release in July 2023 and are very excited to see military service and poppies throughout this collection.

It has once again been a great year of teamwork for procurement with not only our representatives and coordinators but also the hug block program, distribution and the online store. Thank You to everyone who helped make this year a success for QOVC.