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WHAT IS A COOL SCARF?

Troops that are deployed often face temperatures of 130 degrees and higher. Troops wear cool scarves around their necks, which give them the feeling of a cool wet cloth on the back of their necks. A cool scarf is a strip of cotton woven fabric that had been filled with nontoxic polacrylamide granules (crystals) concealed in the casing of the scarf.

When the scarf is soaked in water for 15-30 minutes, the granules, absorb the water, expand 400 times, and turn into crystalline gel. The cotton fabric absorbs water from the gel, and the water evaporates for a cooling effect.

IF YOU CAN SEW A STRAIGHT LINE, YOU CAN MAKE A COOL SCARF.

EACH KIT CONTAINS SUPPLIES TO MAKE 50 SCARVES.

Scarves stay cool and moist for hours due to the polacrylamide's water-retaining properties. When the scarves are left to dry, the gel returns to crystal form. Cool scarves can cool for 15 hours!

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Cool Scarf Kits are available through the Episcopal Diocese of West Texas Military Ministry at no cost to churches. Kits include supplies for 50 scarves along with detailed instructions for sewing, assembling and delivery to troops.

To order your kit contact Leslie Mixson at 888/210.824.5387, or by email at leslie.mixson@dwtx.org

Donations to cover the cost of scarf kits and to grow Military Ministry in the Diocese of West can be made by calling Leslie Mixson at the Diocesan Office at 888/210.824.5387

Diocesan Military Ministry partners with Soldiers' Angels to distribute the scarves to troops.