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Western Correctional Institution inmate Timothy Bolden sews a pillowcase as part of the maximum-security facility's pillowcase project for children in hospital cancer units. Accepting the nearly 400 brightly-colored pillowcases made by five inmates is Cindy Kerr, left, founder of ConKerr Cancer, a charity in Wayne, Pa., that has donated 80,000 pillowcases nationwide. Kerr's son died at 17 of bone cancer. Also shown is WCI Assistant Warden Harry Murphy, also a cancer survivor.

Prison inmates sew pillowcases for cancer charity May 11, 2009 16:49 EDT

CRESAPTOWN, Md. (AP) -- The Maryland Division of Correction says five inmates at a maximum-security prison near Cumberland have sewn nearly 400 brightly colored pillowcases for children in hospital cancer units.

Western Correctional Institution donated the pillowcases Monday to Conkerr Cancer, a charity in Wayne, Pa., founded by Cindy Kerr, whose son died at 17 of bone cancer.

The project was started by Assistant Warden Harry Murphy, a cancer survivor.

Murphy told the inmates that their labors will bring a smile to children in life-changing circumstances.