September 2023 BOM – String Block – 12 ½ x 12 ½



Block to complete for OPPORTUNITY QUILT

To make a block you will need:

Muslin – 15 x 15 at least

2 ½ strips of fabric - at least 8 strips - starch your strips well

- Take your muslin piece and mark a line corner to corner on the diagonal
- Take your center 2 ¹/₂" strip and mark the center; **place right side up** centering on that diagonal line on the muslin piece (see example) and pin
- Take another strip and place **right side together** (RST) **on top** of that centered piece (see example). Sew ¼" on one side of the two strips. Press open (press not iron) to side.
- Next take another 2 ½" strip and place on top of that center strip RST and pin but this time sew on the opposite end a ¼", press (see example).
- Continue adding strips to each side and pressing until you reach the ends of the muslin piece you will use smaller strip pieces as you join each strip.
- Next take your finished block and turn over to the muslin side and trim to 12 ½ x 12 ½ cutting off all excess fabric strips forming your block.

This is your finished block

EXAMPLES:



Muslin centered with first strip.



2nd strip added



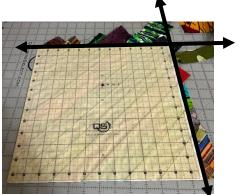
Add 3rd strip on other side



Keep adding strips to each side



Block complete with strips added



Flip & trim block to 12 ½" square