

## **Open Arms Care Leavers quilt**

Quilt size: 50" x 66"

Setting: 35 blocks finished size 6" x 6"

### **To make this quilt you will need:**

- 35 blocks measuring 6 1/2" x 6 1/2" raw edge

### **For 2" sashing – 4 colours :**

- 30 cm or 1/3 yd each of 4 fabrics  
(yellow, red, green, and blue in the sample)

### **For 4" border:**

- 1 metre of fabric

### **For binding:**

- 1/2 metre or 1/2 yd fabric

### **For backing:**

- 3 metres fabric or pieced backing



### **BLOCKS:**

Examples of suitable 6 " x 6" finished size blocks you can make for this quilt pattern:

Easy Stack 4-patch block



Ohio Star or other pieced block

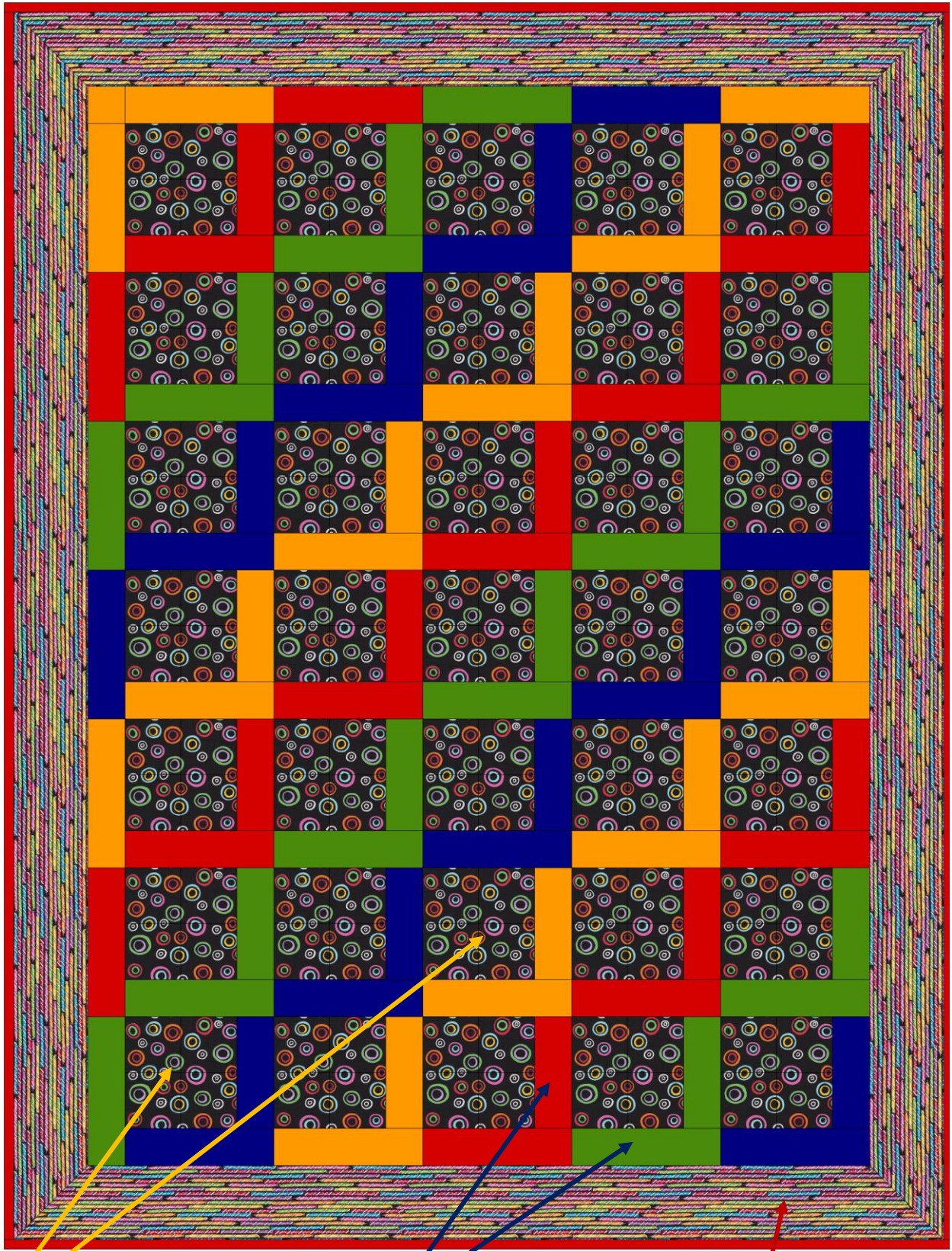


Plain unpieced block



NOTE: for Care Leavers choose fabrics which are not gender specific whenever possible.

**QUILT DIAGRAM FOR OPEN ARMS CARE LEAVERS QUILT :**



**BLOCKS - 6" X 6" finished size**

**SASHING - 2" finished width**

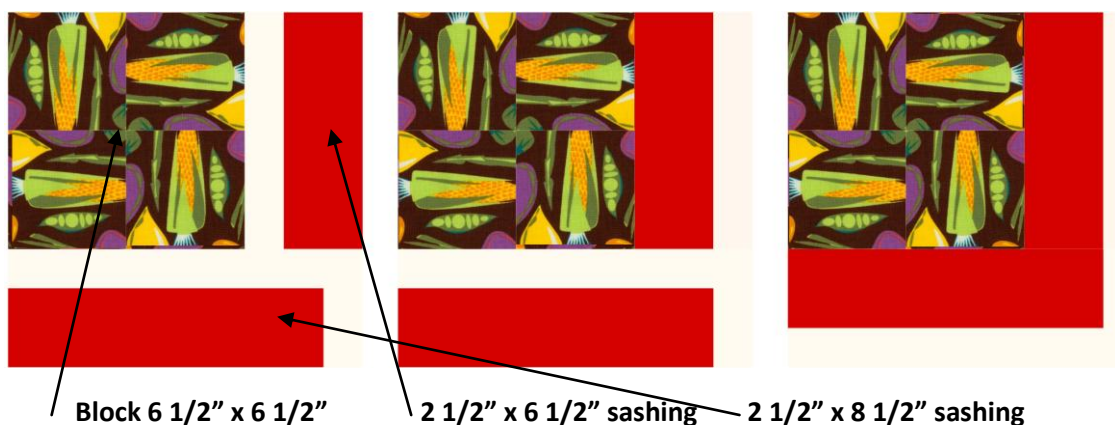
**BORDER - 4" finished width**

**SASHING:**

Rotary cut each of the 4 sashing fabrics into five 2 1/2" wide x WOF strips, then rotary cut into segments:

SASHING FABRIC	2 1/2" X 8 1/2" segments	2 1/2" X 6 1/2" segments	2 1/2" x 2 1/2" segments
1- YELLOW	12	8	1
2- RED	12	9	
3- GREEN	12	9	
4-BLUE	11	9	

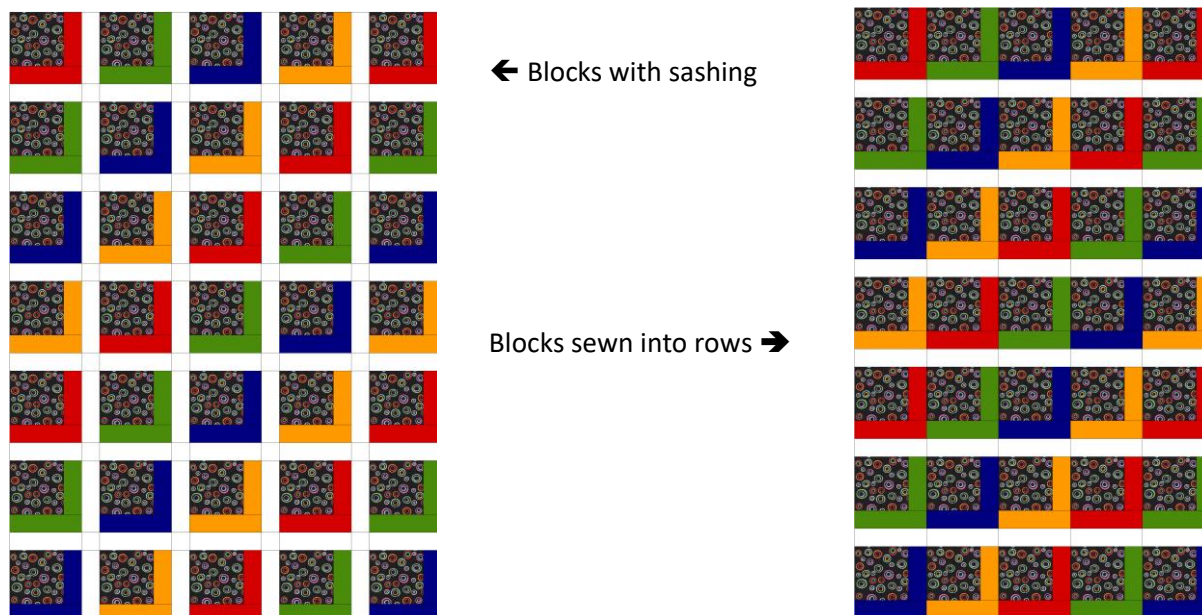
Attach sashing to 6 1/2" x 6 1/2" blocks (raw edge to raw edge – 6" x 6" finished size of blocks) as follows:



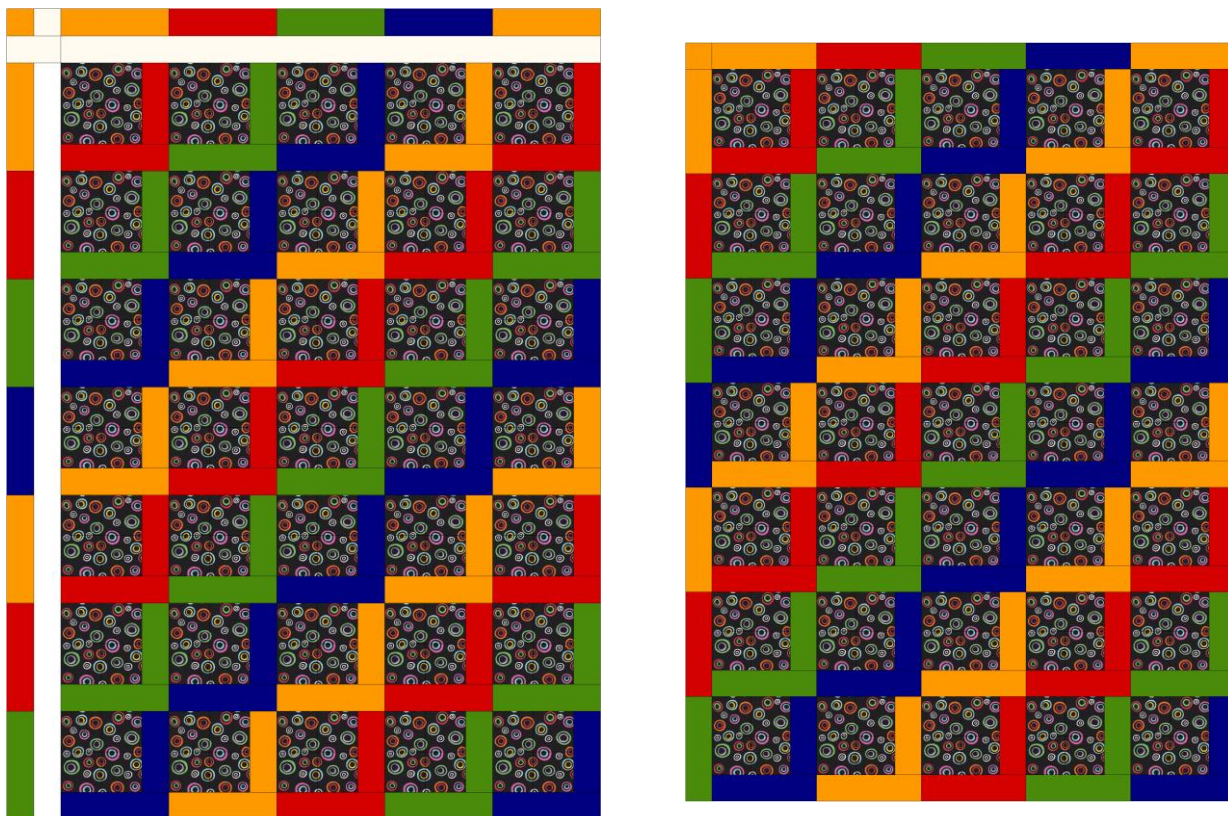
Stitch a 2 1/2" x 6 1/2" piece of sashing to the right side of each block using a 1/4" seam allowance. Press this seam allowance away from block.

Stitch a 2 1/2" x 8 1/2" piece of sashing to the bottom side of each block using a 1/4" seam allowance. Press this seam allowance away from block for 1st, 3rd, and 5th block in each row of the quilt, and towards block for 2nd and 4th block in each row.

Stitch rows of blocks together using 1/4" seam allowance.



Stitch the rows together, then stitch on the additional pieces of sashing to form quilt top:



Tear 4 borders into 5" wide strips along the lengthwise grain of the reserved border fabric, and attach to quilt top with a 1/4" seam allowance. Mitre corners of the borders if desired.

Back of quilt should measure at least 56" x 72". This can be pieced of desired.

Wadding should measure same size as backing.

Sandwich and quilt as desired.

Bind using 7 strips of fabric cut 2 1/2" x WOF, joined together lengthwise with diagonal seams, then folded and pressed in half lengthwise, right side out. Attach binding to edge of quilt using a walking foot, then finish by hemming by hand, as shown on quilt diagram.