## BAM Charity Sew Day June 4, 2016

Courthouse Steps Bed-sized quilts. From strips to finished quilts in a day! Directions written by Michelle Boyd.

Each sewer will receive a set of five wof strips that are 5.5 inches wide and a red square for the center of the block. Here is a diagram of the five strips and how you will use them to make your block:


You need these pieces, all are 5.5 inches wide:
These can be either light or dark, but the fabric for Steps $2 \& 4$ have to be the opposite.
Step 1: 2-5.5
Step 3: 2-15.5
Step 5: 2-25.5
Step 2: 2-15.5
Step 4: 2-25.5

Step 1:
You can cut 5.5 inch square off of the end of two different strips and sew them to the top and bottom of the red center square, or you can sew those strips to the top and bottom of the red center square and trim. Iron or don't iron, seams to the side or open, it's all up to you. (I won't repeat the bit about ironing, you know the drill.) Pass this set on to the next person. Receive a new set from someone else. We want to alternate dark and light fabrics. If you have dark fabric, make sure you pass to and receive from someone with light fabric, and vice versa.

Step 2:
From those same two strips, you can cut off two 15.5 inch pieces, or you can sew the strips to the block you received and trim. These pieces will go on the left and right sides of the block you received. Pass the new block on to the same person you passed to last time.


Step 3:
From those same two strips, you can cut off two 15.5 inch pieces, or you can sew the strips to the block you received and trim. These pieces will go on the top and bottom of the block you received. Pass the new block on to the same person you passed to last time.


Step 4:
From two new strips, cut off two 25.5 inch pieces, or sew the strips to the block and trim. These pieces will go on the right and left sides of the block you received. Keep the ends of the strips for Step 5. Pass the new block on to the same person you passed to last time.


Step 5:
This is the tricky bit. You only have one strip left, and you need two 25.5 inch pieces. One piece comes from the remaining wof strip. You will have to construct the other from the ends of the strips in Step 4. Sew those end pieces together and you will have plenty for another 25.5 inch piece.
These pieces will go on the top and bottom of the block.

Finished quilt:


You're done - with the blocks. It takes four blocks and 8 extra strips to make a quilt top. The extra strips will go around the outside to bring the finished size to approximately $60 \times 80$.

Each top will need a back. We have back fabric in the charity stash.

We have the batting. We have a can of spray baste. We can do the quilting today!!!

