## 2024 Charity Challenge

The Northern Lake County Quilters' Guild 2024 challenge is a charity challenge with all completed quilts going to our charity program. Here is how it will work:

Everyone will use the same patchwork pattern (attached). Versions are supplied using rotary cutting, templates and paper piecing (since this block is larger than a piece of paper, pieces may need to be joined for some methods). No changes to the pattern or additions to the size can be made as we would like all the quilts to end up $35^{\prime \prime} \times 45^{\prime \prime}$ to be used as wheelchair quilts.

Quilts should be traditionally quilted with three layers (no envelope quilts). All fabric used in the quilt top, back and binding need to come from our donated charity fabric. The only thing you'll have to (or be allowed to) supply is the batting.

You may add embroidery and applique but no other embellishments. These should be made totally of fabric and thread.

Fabric will be available for selection at our April meeting. Smaller selections will be available at meetings each month for those that miss April. You'll need to select:

3/4 yard for the center diamonds
$1 / 4$ yard of four different fabrics for the triangles
(these do not have to all be different, the choice is up to you)
1/2 yard for the border
2 yards for the back and binding
Quilts should be completed (fully quilted and bound) for showing, voting and donation at our September meeting. Prizes will be awarded for participating and from voting.

Any questions? Contact charity@nlcqg.org.

With your selected charity fabric, make 12 of the blocks to the right --->


There are many ways to make this block so use the method you prefer. (If you're not familiar with this block, google 'Diamond in a Square' for additional information and sewing options.)


Assemble your twelve blocks as above and add a $3^{\prime \prime}$ (unfinished) wide border. Quilt as desired and bind. Your finished quilt should measure $35^{\prime \prime} \times 45^{\prime \prime}$.

## 2024 Charity Challenge Rotary Cutting

An easy method to create this block is to cut a $101 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ square out of your center fabric, and a $51 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ square out of each of your four corner fabrics. There is waste with this method so we suggest selecting a yard of fabric for your center diamonds. Also, check your fat quarter width. You'll need (12) 5 1/2" squares which means your fat quarters will need to have $22^{\prime \prime}$ of usable fabric in width. If they do not, cut nine squares and then use the template on the following page to cut three triangles out of your remaining fabric.
<-- 5 1/2" -->


Repeat with the other two corners.
Lay two of your corner squares on opposing corners of your center square (right sides together). Sew along the diagonal on both squares. Trim off the excess fabric with $1 / 4^{\prime \prime}$ seam allowance and press.
<-- 5 1/2" -->

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Foundation Piecing Pattern
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