

# What is Canstruction® ?

Canstruction Houston, Inc. is a unique design/ build competition for Houston area architects, engineers, students and construction firms. Canstruction®, a U.S. based charity hosting international competitions committed to ending hunger, is using 'one can' as a catalyst for change.

Canstruction® puts a visual spotlight on hunger while showcasing the design and construction industry giving back to the communities it helps build. In 2025, 16 teams participated and together, we collected over **119,000 lbs.** of food and food goods, providing more than 99,000 meals for the Houston Food Bank, Houston is currently ranked 2nd in the Citywide Competition for MOST FOOD donated to Food Banks.

[Canstruction-Houston.com](http://Canstruction-Houston.com)  
[Canstruction.org](http://Canstruction.org)



**Would you like to sponsor the event or a team this year?**

For more information, contact us at [houston.canstruction@gmail.com](mailto:houston.canstruction@gmail.com)

## About Canstruction Houston, Inc.

Canstruction Houston, Inc. is a unique charity of the design and construction industry created by the Society of Design Administration. Houston held its first Canstruction event in 1995. It grew quickly from a few professional teams to both a student and professional competition that has raised more than **1,941,600 pounds** of food and donated more than **\$100,500** to the Houston Food Bank.

## Mission Statement

To produce a unique competition and food drive where Houston area architects, engineers and construction firms and students build creative and ingenious can-sculptures with canned food and other non-perishable food items. All items are then donated to the Houston Food Bank to benefit the less fortunate throughout the greater Houston area.

## About the Houston Food Bank

Founded in 1982, Houston Food Bank is a leading force in domestic hunger relief, operating with the precision and scale of a massive logistics infrastructure to provide food for better lives. In collaboration with **1,600** community partners across 18 counties, we distribute **143 million** nutritious meals annually, serving more than one million neighbors each year. Our 308,000-square-foot headquarters at 535 Portwall Street—which houses the state-of-the-art Keegan Kitchen—serves as the epicenter for innovative food recovery, meal preparation, and distribution.

Beyond the warehouse, we address the structural roots of hunger through job training, health management, and community advocacy.

In 2026, as we work toward our goal of engaging 100,000 unique volunteers, we invite the design and construction community to use their ingenuity to help us build a more resilient and food-secure Houston.

**Learn more: [HoustonFoodBank.org](http://HoustonFoodBank.org)**



## 30th Annual Competition & Exhibition

*Benefiting the Houston Food Bank*

**October 3-10, 2026**

**George R. Brown Convention Ctr.**  
1001 Avenida de Las Americas,  
Houston, TX 77010

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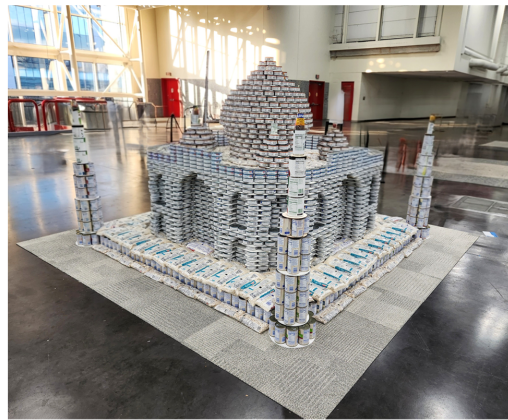
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### Best Use of Labels

**"Stitches Ohana"** - CobbFendley  
(3,335 cans)



### Best Original Design

**"Marbles to Meals"** - HKS - ARUP - McCarthy  
(6,072 cans)



### People's Choice

**"Say LaByeBye to Hunger"**  
W Partnership Stratford HS  
Marriott Marquis - (3,287 cans)



### Best Meal

**"Feeding the Human Spirit"** - Kroger  
(5,969 cans)



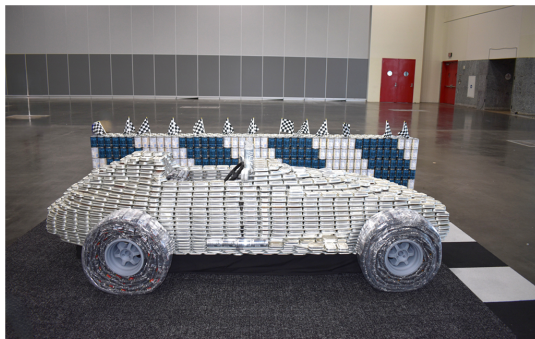
### Judge's Favorite

**"Marbles to Meals"** - HKS - ARUP - McCarthy  
(6,072 cans)



### Most Cans

**"Houston CAN Weather any storm"**  
- AECOM (17,400 cans)



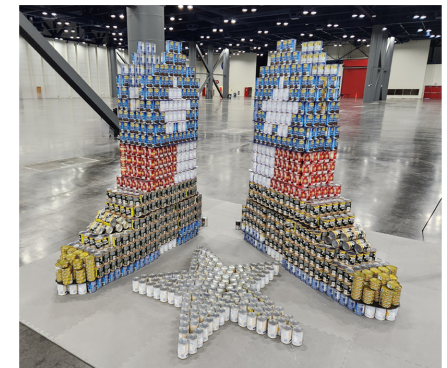
### Structural Ingenuity

**"Project Luong"** - E-Racing Hunger  
(8,872 cans)



### Honorable Mention

**"Houston CAN Weather any storm"**  
- AECOM (17,400 cans)



### Honorable Mention

**"Giving the Boot to Hunger"**  
- Heights Venture (3,337 cans)