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## **Kirksey + Turner Team Take Home 1<sup>st</sup> Honorable Mention at CANstruction Food Bank Charitable Cause**

**HOUSTON, TEXAS** – Stacking row after row of canned food on Saturday November 5<sup>th</sup> at the CityCentre Five, the Kirksey Architecture + Turner Construction team began to see their design of *The Jungle Book's* Baloo the Bear come to life for their CANstruction entry of "Food is a Bear Necessity" and proudly took home 1<sup>st</sup> Honorable Mention for their Disney-inspired design.

Every year, Houston area students, architects, designers and architecture/engineer/construction industry members compete in CANstruction, a national charity of the design and construction industry created by the Society of Design Administration. The Houston event aims to increase Houston Food Bank's inventory of canned goods through a fun design competition where groups create larger-than-life sculptures using donated canned goods.

Dubbed "CANsculptures," the super-sized masterpieces are judged in a variety of categories and the exhibit is open to the public through November 12; the cost of admission being just one can of food.

"We started our design work in the beginning of August," said Kirksey architect and CANstruction team member, Megan Tegethoff. "Once we chose our theme 'Food is a Bear Necessity,'" one of our rock star team members spent approximately 16 hours modeling each and every can in the design so we were able to get an accurate can count and better visualize the design."

The final Kirksey+Turner design came in at a whopping 5,556 cans that weighed an impressive 1,807.5 pounds of food.

"CANstruction is extra special because it's the one design competition where no matter the outcome of the scores, everyone walks away feeling good about their contributions. Each design entry provides much needed food to the Houston Food Bank – helping provide meals to our fellow Houstonians during the holiday season," said Megan.

For more information on CANstruction or to visit the exhibit, please visit:

<http://canstruction-houston.com/news>



**PHOTO CAPTION:** The Kirksey Architecture + Turner Construction entry featured Baloo the Bear from “The Jungle Book” for the team’s “Food is a Bear Necessity” theme.



**PHOTO CAPTION:** The Kirksey Architecture + Turner Construction team took home 1<sup>st</sup> Honorable Mention for their CANstruction 2016 entry.

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