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Hello Fellow Philanthropists and Educators,

This year is a special year—it's our **10th anniversary of Corrdor Canstruction**! Please help this year by entering a team or making a donation for hungry families right here in eastern lowa.

Corridor Canstruction combines friendly competition with a unique way to feed the hungry. Teams of adults (many of them architects and engineers), as well as community, student, and youth groups from the Cedar Rapids/Iowa City Corridor will strut their creative stuff—building structures entirely out of canned food. All food is then given to food pantries and crisis centers in eastern lowa with the help of the HACAP Food Reservoir.

Even in Iowa, 12.5% of households are not food secure. In our region of Iowa alone, nearly 50,000 people regularly experience hunger. Hunger is real. It hurts. But you can help: it starts with **ONE CAN!** 

The 10th Annual Corridor Canstruction Competition will be held on Saturday, April 18 at Lindale Mall in Cedar Rapids.

**Ready to find out more?** Check out our <u>new</u> website at <u>cedarrapids.canstruction.org</u>. The rules, important dates, contact info, and more are online. Or, let us know if you're interested in mentoring a school or youth team.

The deadline to register is *Friday, March 27*. Register your team at cedarrapids.canstruction.org/competition and reserve your spot!

All in the name of feeding hungry lowans.

Thank you for your past participation and support!

Sincerely,

The Corridor Canstruction Planning Committee



## support canstruction



## Want to help the cause, but can't enter your own build team? You can still support Canstruction!

Cash donations help Canstruction with recurring expenses such as postage, signs, equipment to keep the finished builds safe, and trophies for our school and community team winners. All money after that goes directly to HACAP to feed even more hungry families in Eastern lowa.

## Benefits of being a contributor include:

- Your company name/logo on all signage
- Company name/logo on all participant t-shirts
  - Company name/logo on our website
- Recognition during the event awards ceremony as as one of our generous sponsors

Consider donating to the cause now, and help ensure Canstruction continues!

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#### Mail Donation Form with Check Payable to:

Corridor Canstruction c/o Jamie Achrazoglou, Treasurer 4190 Prairie Meadow Ct NE Iowa City, IA 52240

Please send a high-resolution copy of your company or organization logo to CorridorCans@gmail.com so we may include you in our list of sponsors.







## 10th annual corridor design/build competition

## call for entries

Who Teams of adults from the corridor **AND** 

teams from colleges, schools, and youth

What Design and build structures made entirely

from canned foods within a 10'x10' space.

When Saturday, April 18—Lindale Mall, Cedar Rapids

7-11 a.m. and Building: Judaina: 11 a.m.-noon Where

> Awards ceremony: noon Exhibit open to public: April 18-26 Sunday, April 26 Decanstruction:

Why To benefit HACAP Food Reservoir and area

non-profit food banks

Register at cedarrapids.canstruction.org Enter a

(new website) by Friday, March 27 Team

**Entry** \$100 for adult teams: no fee for student/

Fee youth groups. Make checks payable to:

Corridor Canstruction Mail

c/o Jamie Achrazoglou, Treasurer Entry

4190 Prairie Meadow Ct NE Fee to

Iowa City, IA 52240

**Contact** corridorcans@gmail.com

**Support** Can't participate? Support Canstruction Us

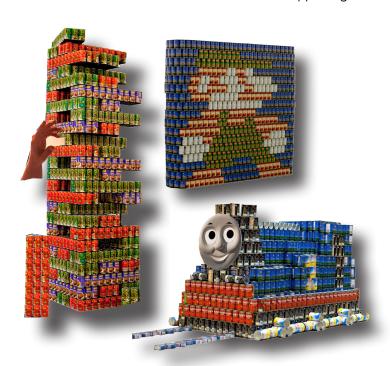
with a donation. See donation page.

It starts with one can. To feed the hungry. To lift the spirit. Canstruction<sup>®</sup>, a charity committed to ending hunger, is using "one can" as a catalyst for change.

In 2014, over 12,000 pounds of food from Canstruction's event was distributed to non-profit programs in eastern Iowa with the help of the HACAP Food Reservoir. The food and donations collected provided about 5,000 meals!

> Think you have what it takes? Get creative, and help stop hunger.

Check out the competition rules and more information at cedarrapids.canstruction.org. Teams are responsible for purchasing or collecting all canned goods for their structure. Your structure must be self-supporting.



Rules and detailed information are available online at cedarrapids.canstruction.org.

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Thanks to our other 2014 sponsors! Jym Bag Gilbane Heery Design Lower Left Side Photography



#### FOOD RESERVOIR PROGRAM

...a unique partnership between the food industry and charities to feed the hungry in this area.

#### THE NEED

During tough economic times, more people struggle to get enough to eat both in lowa and nationwide. One out of six Americans turn to government food assistance programs to help alleviate food insecurity. (Not being sure where they will get enough food to feed their families). Other Americans respond to food insecurity by skipping meals, substituting less expensive, less nutritious alternatives, or seeking emergency food from soup kitchens or food pantries. They worry nearly all the time about money running out to buy food for the children. Food insecurity affects health, worker productivity, growth and development of children, sense of well-being, and quality of life.

lowans are no different. The vast majority of households in lowa are food secure. Yet, even in lowa, the breadbasket of the world, in HACAP Food Reservoir service area, **1 in 5 adults and 1 in 4 children go hungry at least once a week**. This averages out to be about 64,000 people a day in our service area.

#### **HOW WE HELP**

The HACAP Food Reservoir is a private, non-profit charitable organization with a mission to help reduce hunger and food waste. As a member of the Feeding America Food Bank Network, the HACAP Food Reservoir receives donations of food and grocery products from the food industry, including manufacturers, wholesalers, and retailers, local donors, food drives, and the USDA.

The Food Reservoir channels those donated products to area soup kitchens, pantries, shelters, and other nonprofit food programs that feed those in need. In FY 2014, HACAP distributed 3.9 million pounds of food and grocery products to needy families and individuals through a network of 100 non-profit programs in seven eastern lowa counties.



Adlai Stevenson once said, "A hungry man is not a free man."

Hunger is real. It hurts. You can help.

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## 2014 results

The 9th Annual Corridor Canstruction collected over 12,000 pounds of food for the HACAP Food Reservoir. That, combined with donations received, was enough to provide about **5,000 meals** for the hungry!

#### Adult Teams



PEOPLE'S CHOICE AND BEST MEAL

Dreams CAN Come True Shive-Hattery



JUROR'S FAVORITE

CAN-terpillar OPN Architects



Best Use of Labels Ballin' to Fight Hunger
Neumann-Monson Architects

STRUCTURAL INGENUITY Do You Want to Build a SnowCAN? Heery and Tallgrass



### STUDENT/COMMUNITY TEAMS



Most LifeLike
Wave Goodbye to Hunger
Francis Marion Intermediate



CANbow Highland Middle School TAG

Visit <u>CEDARRAPIDS.CANSTRUCTION.ORG</u> to learn more about how you can be a part of Corridor Canstruction 2015!

## canstruction Student/Community Teams

2014 results



We CAN Feed 'Minions' of People
North Linn High School Honor Society



Minecraft CAN Biome South East Junior High, sponosored by Rohrbach Associates

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Hunger is No Game
Prairie Elementary TAG



BEST USE OF LABELS
#iCANselfie Solon 8th Grade



BEST THEME

CAN Boot Camp: Give Hunger the Boot

North Central Junior High