Design on the Societal Battlefront
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"...the biggest risks that people face(d) were coming from the built environment."
- Dr. Richard Jackson (Author of Urban Sprawl and Public Health and past director at the Center for Disease Control)

3.5 million people per year experience homelessness
- Newsweek

Founded in 2001 as an initiative of the School of Architecture & Design at the University of Louisiana at Lafayette

precedents
“All the darkness in the world can not extinguish the light of a single candle.” William James
Meditation walk entry, summer 2005

Neighborhood bridge, spring 2006
No activity can become excellent if the world does not provide a proper place for its existence.

—Hannah Arendt
Residential Area, summer 2005

Hurricane Relief Effort Memorial, Spring 2006

Residential Area, summer 2005
other initiatives
economic impact

Outreach Center
Building Module Collaborations 2003-2005

Lafayette Parish/City Government
Lafayette City Councilmen
State Government
Acadiana Outreach Center- 501 c3 (not for profit charity)
Acadiana Arts Council
Hurricane Evacuation Shelters
Local mural artist
Local tile mosaic artist
Local street art muralist
Local Metal Fabrication Company
Urban Design Workshop of School of Architecture

Over 200 Students from the School of Architecture & Design (all five years in architecture, interior design and industrial)
Students from the School of Business
Students from the School of Nursing
Students from the School of Business
Students and Faculty from the School of Architecture
Lafayette City Councilmen
Lafayette Parish/City Government
Boys and Girls Clubs of Acadiana
Granberry Club

our current project
AIA 150 Blueprint for America
($10,000 grant received in conjunction with the local chapter of the American Institute of Architects)

Through their state and local components, AIA architects will initiate, convene, and participate in Blueprint initiatives that utilize community engagement, a collaborative process, and quality design as keys to improving a community’s livability. Blueprint initiatives are a gift to the community from the members of the AIA, and the members’ participation in the initiative is provided pro bono.