

Make It Right House



Year: 2009

Location: United States

Program: Residential

Status: Completed

Type: New-built

Structure: Timber Structure

Hurricane Katrina, which occurred in August 2005, caused enormous damage to the City of New Orleans. In December 2007, the Make It Right Foundation, founded by the actor Brad Pitt, approached a number of world renowned architects to design homes that would rebuild the Lower Ninth Ward, an area most devastated by the flooding and whose inhabitants had no money to rebuild. This charitable project was aimed at creating low cost, mass producible, "safe houses". Homes were placed on piles and designed to withstand future storms and flooding. This building, Furniture House 6, integrated prefab Furniture Units with the tradition vernacular of New Orleans' Shotgun House typology.