

## Canstruction®

Sunday 24 June – Saturday 7 July 2012



Canary Wharf is currently hosting London's very first public Canstruction® event. This international design competition showcases some of the world's leading architecture and engineering firms going head-to-head, building sculptures from cans of food.

HOK & Ramboll's *Full English*, pictured, was recently announced the winner of The FareShare Award for the sculpture depicting the best meal.

Following this unique exhibition, the 40,000 cans used will be collected and redistributed by UK based charity FareShare to charities across London. This will in turn provide 6,000 vulnerable people with up to 16 tonnes of canned food, the equivalent of 38,000 nutritious meals.

Providence Row, a homelessness charity located in Tower Hamlets, is one of the many organisations who will benefit

from Canstruction®.

Pam Orchard, CEO, Providence Row, said: "We are delighted to be receiving food from FareShare following the Canstruction project. We've been working with FareShare for many years now and the food they give us helps to keep costs down and provide homeless and vulnerable people with at least one nutritious meal a day. Breakfast enables us to welcome people into a warm, safe environment where we can help them to build a better future."

FareShare is an award-winning charity fighting food hunger and waste across the UK. It does this by rescuing good quality surplus food that would otherwise go to waste and sending it to over 700 charities across the country to be eaten by people in need.

Canstruction® is on display in the lobby of One Canada Square and Canary Wharf Shopping Malls until Saturday 7 July. Entry is free.

Canstruction® was achieved with the cans provided by and the support of AF Blakemore Ltd and Waitrose at Canary Wharf.

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#### About FareShare

FareShare is the national charity fighting hunger and food waste in the UK. It does this by rescuing good quality surplus food that would otherwise go to waste and sending it to charities across the UK. By working regularly with over 100 food and drink companies, last year FareShare rescued 3,600 tonnes of surplus food. This contributed towards more than 8.6 million meals, feeding 36,500 people a day.

FareShare currently has 17 locations across the UK delivering to over 700 community projects including hostels, day centres, women's refuges and children's breakfast clubs.

As well as being voted the Third Sector's Most Admired Charity in 2010, FareShare was recently named as one of the Global Journal's Top 100 NGO's worldwide.