



# News Release



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## **AIA (American Institute of Architects) Charlotte Comes Together to Turn 40,000 Cans of Food into Amazing Architectural Structures**

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**WHO:** AIA Charlotte and Second Harvest Food Bank of Metrolina

**WHAT:** CANstruction is back! Teams of volunteers, which include design industry professionals, participate in the event in over 100 cities each year. The can art sculptures (see photos from previous years) will be on exhibit to the public for voting to determine the best in different categories. At the close of the event, all food from the structures will be donated to Second Harvest Food Bank of Metrolina.

AIA Charlotte's CANstruction has donated over 150,000 pounds of food since 2012. CANstruction has raised over 82 million pounds of food for hunger relief organizations around the world with its signature, trademarked CanArt.

**WHEN:** Saturday, October 14<sup>th</sup> – 12 p.m. – 4 p.m. with voting starting at 1:00 p.m.

**WHERE:** Camp North End's Ford Building  
300 Camp Road, Charlotte, NC 28206 ([click here for map](#))

**CONTACT:** If you are interested in covering this event, please contact Donna Ragan at 704.805-1724 or at [dragan@secondharvest.org](mailto:dragan@secondharvest.org).

### **About Second Harvest Food Bank of Metrolina**

As part of Feeding America, Second Harvest Food Bank of Metrolina - serves 24 counties in North and South Carolina. In FY 2022-2023, Second Harvest Food Bank of Metrolina distributed over 78 million pounds of food and household items to over 950 hunger feeding agencies including emergency pantries, soup kitchens, senior programs, shelters and low-income daycares. Follow the Food Bank on: [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), [Instagram](#), [LinkedIn](#), and [YouTube](#).