

Makeadifference2project

THE INTERIOR DESIGN STUDENT

Can interior design students use creativity to make daily existence better for their community?

The Interior Design Educator's Council [IDEC] Social Responsibility Network is proud to sponsor the fifth annual Make a Difference project. In the spirit of the original Make a Difference project, Make a Difference 2 encourages students to make a difference in their communities by completing a small, quick, meaningful interior design related project [space planning, signage/wayfinding, decor', finish/materials installation or repairs, etc.] for a non-profit organization or an individual identified by a non-profit organization.

1. MEET: Identify a non-profit organization and interview their leaders to identify needs [theirs or an individual's that they identify] that can be solved through design.
2. IDENTIFY: After the interview, in a written problem statement, identify the problem you discovered and why it is a problem [maximum 50 words] and a "before" photograph.
3. SOLVE: Within 36 hours, as an individual or within teams, design and implement/install a solution to the problem. Describe the process, solution and how it solved the problem. Use photo documentation. [maximum 100 words].*
4. OBSERVE: Observe the impact of the solution. Focus on meaningful reflection [see the template for guidance]. Use "after" photos, quotes, and personal observation. Write a [100 minimum, 250 word maximum] statement to summarize your observations. Use photo documentation.
5. DOCUMENT: Document your project on the Make a Difference documentation template, found at: www.idec.org/students/MakeADifference.php
6. SUBMIT: Submit your project in PDF format, not to exceed 5.0MB [or 5,000KB] in size, **to your instructor** by the deadline they announce. After the instructor has reviewed the work, they will email the projects by **December 1st, 2011** to the IDEC Social Responsibility Network. Educators of the IDEC Social Responsibility Network will compile the ideas and will post them for all to see at the IDEC Social Responsibility Network website http://www.idec.org/events/special_events.php and exhibit the work at the 2012 IDEC annual conference.

***Please note** your projects must be safe and conform to local codes and other restrictions. Responsibility for projects rests with the sponsoring institution and not IDEC or the IDEC Social Responsibility Network.

