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HMFH Architects and students from Cambridge's Baldwin School build a sustainable Box City in partnership with LBD:MA

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Eighteen volunteers from HMFH Architects led a design education program at the Baldwin School. Conducted in partnership with Learning By Design in Massachusetts (LBD:MA), a statewide architecture and design education program for K-12 schools, the program brings architectural design alive for young minds.

HMFH and LBD:MA volunteers engaged the entire 375-student body in a series of guided building exercises to create an actual sustainable city in three-dimensional form, known as Box City.

Polly Carpenter, AIA, program director for LBD:MA said, "In the case of the Baldwin School, students also explored sustainable design principles at several scales, from the macro level of transportation, creating a walkable city and the implementation of solar power, to the micro scale of composting bins in individual homes."

After intensive introductory sessions that grouped several grade levels together, teachers and volunteers worked in smaller sessions where kids spent several hours constructing elements of their sustainable city. *

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