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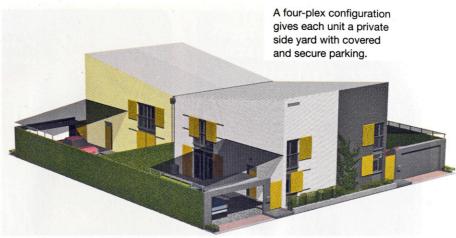


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dward M. Baum, FAIA, counts as neighbors many working class families who pay around \$1,000 a month in rent but are still priced out of the housing market. "I got to thinking," he says, "What could we do for that much money?" Working backward from the rental figure, Baum developed a scalable scheme of four-unit structures that offer comfort, durability, security, and the prospect of home ownership. Our judges praised not only the social mission of the proposal, but also the simplicity of the buildings and the "quilt-like effect" of the site plan.—b.d.s.



principal in charge / project architect: Edward M. Baum, FAIA, Edward M. Baum, Architect; general contractor / developer: Don Romer, Vision Impact, Grapevine, Texas; project size: 1,346 square feet; site size: Applicable to sites of varying sizes; construction cost: \$150,000 to \$175,000 per unit; total number of units in project: Varies; overall density: Maximum 14.6 units per acre with 2.5 cars per unit; target market: Working-class families; grand opening: 2013, pending site acquisition; project completion date: 2013, pending site acquisition; renderings: Courtesy Edward M. Baum, Architect. Visit www.residentialarchitect.com for products and additional images.