Combating cold is an easy task in most homes in our society, but our team decided to challenge our existing notions of space by building a new structure of more “improvisational means”. Using items commonly discarded as the byproducts of everyday life, we created an outdoor sleeping shelter by taking advantage of a few kinds of power not found in any outlet; solar radiation, and elbow grease. The result was something that exceeded our expectations, and in the end, gave us insight into the lives of those often left out of every day thought.

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Easy to Find Materials
- Plastic Bags
- Pallets
- Water Bottles
- Cardboard
- Wooden Structure
- Construction Materials: All found materials leads to a very low budget and reused products that would otherwise be wasted.

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