

# LINK HOUSE

## Client

Home HeadQuarters

## Design Team

Lubrano Ciavarra Architects; Syracuse University School of Architecture students; Home HeadQuarters; VIP Structures; and Haven Homes

## Project start

2008

## Project completion

2009

## Cost

\$175,000



Above: Rendering of main living area

Opposite, clockwise from top: Exterior of house in context; crane lifting roof into place; students in front of house during construction

An options studio at the Syracuse University School of Architecture offered students the opportunity to participate in the design and construction of a 1,400-square-foot, single-family home on the city's Near Westside. Led by the architects and visiting critics Anne Marie Lubrano and Lea Ciavarra, the studio was based on a seminar about innovative and energy-efficient approaches to the renovation of typical wood-frame housing stock. The class chose to explore the potential of prefabrication and worked closely with a regional manufacturer, Haven Homes, to realize the project.

Built on an infill site in this older neighborhood, the project marked the school's first collaboration with Home HeadQuarters, a private nonprofit housing provider, and VIP Structures, a contractor. Students and faculty were involved in each phase of the work, from client contact to materials research and fabrication.

