

POYDRAS HOME | NEW ORLEANS, LA

LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE AND DESIGN

COMPLETED: 2013

PROGRAM: 32,525 SF - NEW CONSTRUCTION
8,390 SF - RENOVATIONS

BUDGET: \$11.7 MILLION

CLIENT: POYDRAS HOME

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■ The expansion of the historic Poydras Home Continuing Care Retirement Community includes the addition of a new 27,000 square-foot 3-story wing. A new entrance drive and motor court reintroduces the original entrance to the Historic Hall. The site plan preserves the existing open space in front of the buildings and adds new planting to minimize the impact of the new building addition. A courtyard within the new building wing features a garden designed specifically for dementia patients. The goal of the courtyard was to provide residents with space to relax, walk, and reflect. Because those with dementia have a tendency to wander, the courtyard has a walking path that is designed in a circular pattern with no end, always bringing the users back to where they started. There are multiple areas for residents to stop, sit and reflect. The design includes a large planter that allows residents to plant and tend to the garden. The planter is at the height of a wheelchair so that even wheelchair bound residents can benefit from using it.

