

Environmentally intelligent building design and urban planning are crucial to the world's future.

GREEN PROGRAMS

- **ONE PLANET COMMUNITIES** One Planet Communities is a non-profit network of earth's greenest neighborhoods - designed and operated to make it easy and convenient for ordinary people to live a healthier, high-quality lifestyle within our fair share of our planet's resources. In other words, one planet living. www.oneplanetcommunities.org/
 - **GREENPOINT RATED (GPR)** – California Based 3rd party verified- Green Building Guidelines & Rating System for New and Existing Home Construction, Home Remodeling, Affordable and Multifamily Construction. <http://www.builditgreen.org/guidelines/residential>
 - **LEED V3 (2009) RATING SYSTEMS:** <http://www.usgbc.org/>
 - LEED for Homes (LEED H)** - a national rating system developed by the USGBC. promotes the design and construction of high-performance green homes. LEED H is applicable to single family, affordable and multifamily up to 3 stories. 4-6 story MF fall into the LEED H MidRise program currently in pilot.
 - LEED Building Design & Construction (LEED BD+C)** - a national rating system developed by the USGBC. For new construction, core & shell, schools, health care, retail and other commercial products.
 - LEED Interior Design & Construction (LEED ID+C)** - a national rating system developed by the USGBC. For T.I.'s including commercial interiors and retail interiors.
 - LEED for Existing Buildings: Operations & Maintenance (LEED O+M)** - a national rating system developed by the USGBC. For existing building and schools. provides a benchmark for building owners and operators to measure operations, improvements and maintenance.
 - LEED Neighborhood Developments (LEED ND)** - a national rating system developed by the USGBC w/ the Congress for New Urbanism (CNU) & Nation Resources Defense Council (NRDC). integrates the principles of smart growth, urbanism and green building into the first national program for neighborhood design.
 - **OTHER GREEN BUILDING COUNCILS AROUND THE WORLD HAVE DEVELOPED RATING SYSTEMS:**
 - Australia - Green Star
 - Canada - LEED Canada™
 - Germany - German Sustainable Building Certification
 - India- IGBC Rating System & LEED India™ Green Building Rating Systems
 - Japan - Comprehensive Assessment System for Building Environmental Efficiency (CASBEE)
 - New Zealand - Green Star NZ
 - South Africa - Green Star SA
 - United Kingdom - BREEAM
 - The International Organization for Standardization ISO (International Organization for Standardization).
 - The Global Reporting Initiative GRI
 - **GREEN GLOBES** The Green Globes system is used in Canada and the USA. In the USA, Green Globes is owned and operated by the Green Building Initiative (GBI). <http://www.greenglobes.com/>
 - **NAHB MODEL GREEN BUILDING GUIDELINES (GBG)**, first published in 2005 <http://www.nahbgreen.org/>
 - **ICC-NAHB NATIONAL GREEN BUILDING STANDARDTM VERSION 2 (NGBSv2)** latest 2007; <http://www.nahbrc.com/>
 - **CALIFORNIA GREEN BUILDER** - The California Green Builder Program is owned by the Building Industry Institute, <http://www.cagreenbuilder.org/>
 - **LIVING BUILDING CHALLENGE** – The Cascadia Region Green Building Council -a challenge to all building owners, architects, engineers, and design professionals to build in a way that will provide all of us and our children with a sustainable future. <http://www.cascadiagbc.org/lbc>
 - **BAY-FRIENDLY LANDSCAPING AND GARDENING PROGRAM (BFL)** a holistic approach to gardening and landscaping that works in harmony with the natural conditions w/ a 3rd party verification program. <http://www.stopwaste.org>
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ORGANIZATIONS & RESOURCES

- **BUILD IT GREEN (BIG)** a non-profit membership organization whose mission is to promote healthy, energy- and resource-efficient building practices in California. BIG provides green building training, tools, technical expertise, & partnership opportunities for key stakeholders including public agencies, builders, developers, architects, contractors housing advocates, real estate professionals, suppliers & homeowners. <http://www.builditgreen.org/>
- **UNITED STATES GREEN BUILDING COUNCIL (USGBC)** - a non-profit organization committed to expanding sustainable building practices comprised of building owners and end-users, real estate developers, facility managers, architects, designers, engineers, general contractors, subcontractors, product and building system manufacturers, government agencies, and nonprofits. USGBC developed the consensus based LEED programs. <http://www.usgbc.org/>
- **GREEN BUILDING CERTIFICATION INSTITUTE: (GBCI)** provides third-party project certification and professional credentials recognizing excellence in green building performance and practice. GBCI administers project certification for commercial and institutional buildings and tenant spaces under the (LEED®) Green Building Rating Systems™ addressing new construction and ongoing operations. GBCI also manages the professional credentialing programs based upon the LEED Rating Systems including the LEED Green Associate and LEED AP credentials. <http://www.gbci.org/>
- **USGBC- NORTHERN CALIFORNIA CHAPTER** – (USGBC-NCC) a regional chapter (non-profit) with local branches in Silicon Valley, Sacramento, East Bay Diablo & Monterey. <http://www.usgbc-ncc.org/> USGBC-NCC Residential Green Building Committee & other pages with resources: <http://groups.usgbc-ncc.org/grouplist.htm>
- **WORLD GREEN BUILDING COUNCIL (WGBC)** A global not-for-profit organisation working to transform the property industry towards sustainability through its members: www.worldgbc.org
- **GREEN AFFORDABLE HOUSING COALITION (GAHC)** - coalition of San Francisco Bay Area public-sector and private-sector professionals committed to incorporating green building practices into affordable housing. <http://frontierassoc.net/greenaffordablehousing/index.shtml>
- **LISC (LOCAL INITIATIVES SUPPORT CORPORATION)** - grants, loans, equity, information resources and technical assistance. <http://www.lisc.org/>
- **BAY AREA LISC GREEN CONNECTIONS PROGRAM** – green building maintenance and Green Loan Program Jessica Waggoner (jwaggoner@lisc.org, 415-397-7322 x 34) http://www.lisc.org/bay_area/programs/connection_7772.shtml
- **GREEN HOME GUIDE** – great guide for green residential construction including useful links. <http://www.greenhomeguide.org/index.html>
- **GREEN PLAY BOOK** – excellent guidance & resources for local gov'ts <http://www.greenplaybook.org/>
- **CALIFORNIA MULTIFAMILY NEW HOMES PROGRAM (CMFNH)** sponsored by PG&E facilitates and encourages energy-efficient design in multifamily housing through design assistance, cash incentives and Energy Star® marketing benefits in the PG&E service territory. The program requires 15% above standard Title 24 (T24) minimum requirements. <http://www.h-m-g.com/multifamily/cmfnh/default.htm>
- **REGREEN** - the residential remodeling program created by ASID and USGBC best practice guidelines and targeted educational resources for sustainable residential remodeling projects. <http://www.regreenprogram.org/>
- **PGE PACIFIC ENERGY CENTER** – provides free tips, resources, classes for design and building construction professionals http://www.pge.com/education_training/classes/energy_efficiency/index.jsp - classresults
- **DSIRE** - Comprehensive source of information on state, local, utility, and federal incentives that promote renewable energy and energy efficiency. <http://www.dsireusa.org/>
- **GLOBAL GREEN USA** – A Non Profit focused on innovative research, cutting-edge community based projects and targeted advocacy works with governments, industry, and individuals to create a global value shift toward a sustainable and secure future. <http://www.globalgreen.org/about/index.html>
- **TAX INCENTIVES ASSISTANCE PROJECT (TIAP)** - sponsored by a coalition of public interest nonprofit groups, government agencies, and other organizations in the energy efficiency field, is designed to give consumers and businesses information they need to make use of the federal income tax incentives for energy efficient products and technologies as part of the Energy Policy Act of 2005. <http://www.energytaxincentives.org>
- **2030 CHALLENGE** –a non-profit, non-partisan and independent organization established in response to the global-warming crisis by architect Edward Mazria. Its mission is to rapidly transform the US and global Building Sector from the major contributor of greenhouse gas emissions to a central part of the solution to the global-warming crisis. http://www.architecture2030.org/2030_challenge/index.html
- **STOPWASTE.ORG** - Comprehensive source of information in Alameda County. <http://www.stopwaste.org/>
- **WWW.VMWP.COM** - a more comprehensive glossary of terms and resources: <http://www.vmwp.com/green-glossary.php> & <http://www.vmwp.com/green-resources.php>