

What to know about LEED Certifications

Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design

What is LEED?

The LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) certification program was developed by the U.S. Green Building Council (USGBC) and provides a standard for environmentally-conscious building codes to 'create healthy, highly efficient, and cost-saving green buildings.' It focuses on environmental components such as energy and water use, as well as internal air quality.

Why choose LEED standards?

LEED-certified builds are more environmentally responsible, as they use less resources with less human impact on the environment, but also cost less to operate because of their high efficiency

What kind of buildings can be certified?

There are LEED certification standards for every kind of building, including community and home projects.

How does a building meet LEED certification?

There are four LEED certification levels: Certified, Silver, Gold, and Platinum. Buildings are given their certification level from a number of points earned in several categories, including energy use, air quality and water quality.