



LEED®

Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design

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Why care about Green?

“Treat the earth well. It was not given to you by your parents, it was loaned to you by your children.”

-Kenyan Proverb

As seen at the American Museum of Natural History in New York City





A Puzzlement

- ❖ Move back and forth
- ❖ Laramie County Library
- ❖ Design in 2004 – 2006
- ❖ Ballot issue: November 4, 2003
- ❖ Groundbreaking: March 15, 2006
- ❖ Grand opening: September 8, 2007
- ❖ Certification Level – Gold: June 2008





What is LEED?

Program of US Green Building Council

- ❖ A community of leaders working to make green buildings available to everyone within a generation
- ❖ <http://www.usgbc.org/>
- ❖ Nationally accepted benchmark for the design, construction and operation of high performance green buildings



Libraries in the forefront

- ❖ ALA mid-to-late 1990
- ❖ Educational institution
- ❖ Community visibility
- ❖ Civic responsibility



To certify or not to certify

- ❖ Yes, there are costs.
- ❖ Regardless of costs you can build a sustainable building .
- ❖ *Costing Green: A Comprehensive Cost Database and Budgeting Methodology*, July 2004, Davis Langdon
- ❖ *Cost of Green Revisited*, July 2007, Davis Langdon





Steps to LEED Certification





Versions

- ❖ Going to v3 on April 27, 2009
- ❖ Existing programs can move
- ❖ Laramie County Library NCv2.1



Goals similar to libraries



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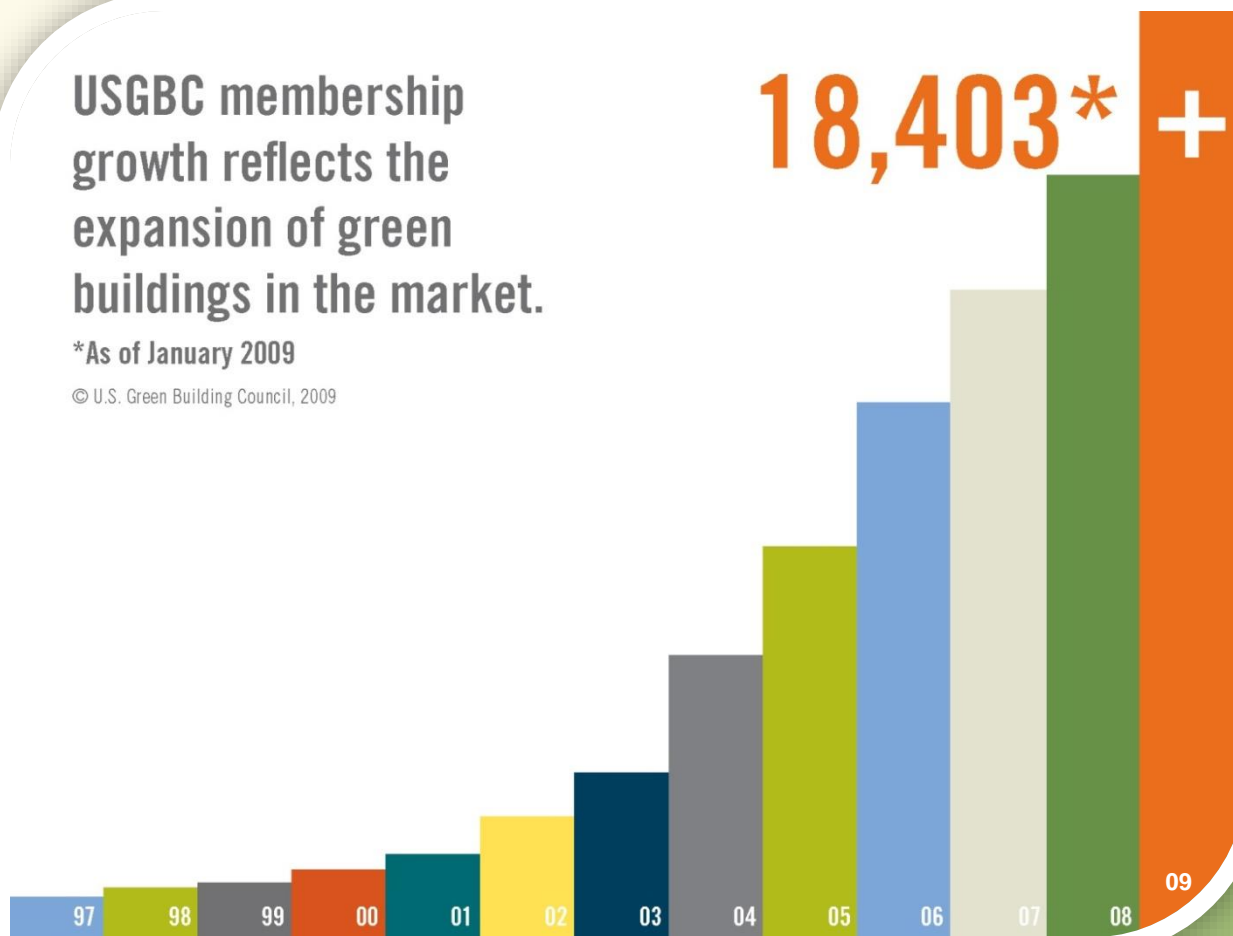


Growth

USGBC membership growth reflects the expansion of green buildings in the market.

*As of January 2009

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USGBC has four levels of LEED:





April 27, 2009 v3

- ❖ Total points available : 100

- ❖ Points needed for each level;
 - ❖ Certified 40–49
 - ❖ Silver 50–59
 - ❖ Gold 60–79
 - ❖ Platinum 80-100



Components of a Green Building



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The team

- ❖ Owner
- ❖ Architect
- ❖ Consultants:
 - Subcontractors for architect
- ❖ Contractor
- ❖ Library players:
 - Public
 - Governmental officials
 - Staff



Design Phase

- ❖ Sets the tone for the project
- ❖ Site selection
- ❖ Design
- ❖ Modeling
- ❖ Specification of products





Construction Phase

- ❖ Erosion and sediment control
- ❖ Recycling site and construction waste
- ❖ Pollution control
- ❖ Sustainable products
- ❖ Local /regional materials
- ❖ Recycled content in materials



FCI Constructors: Ross Choate





LEED - NCv2.1



ARCHITECTURAL ENERGY
S O L U T I O N S
Integrated Building Performance

Project Name Laramie County Library
Project # 05-100
Date: 05/00

V	M	N	Sustainable Sites	Notes:
Y			Prerequisite 1 Erosion and Sedimentation Control	Approved
X			Credit 1 Site Selection	Approved
X			Credit 2 Development Density	Approved
	X		Credit 3 Brownfield Redevelopment	
X			Credit 4.1 Alternative Transportation, Locate Near Public Transportation	Approved
X			Credit 4.2 Alternative Transportation, Bicycle Storage & Changing Rooms	Approved
	X		Credit 4.3 Alternative Transportation, Alternative Fuel Refueling Stations	
X			Credit 4.4 Alternative Transportation, Minimum or No New Parking	Approved
	X		Credit 5.1 Reduced Site Disturbance, Protect or Restore Open Space	
X			Credit 5.2 Reduced Site Disturbance, Reduce Footprint & Increase Open Space	Approved
	X		Credit 5.3 Stormwater Management, No Net Increase or 25% Decrease	Denied
X			Credit 5.2 Stormwater Management, Treatment Systems	Approved
	X		Credit 7.1 Landscape & Exterior Design to Reduce Heat Islands, Site Surfaces	
	X		Credit 7.2 Landscape & Exterior Design to Reduce Heat Islands, Roof Surfaces	
X			Credit 8 Light Pollution Reduction	
Y	0	0	14 Possible	

V	M	N	Water Efficiency	Notes:
X			Credit 1.1 Water Efficient Landscaping, Reduce by 50%	Approved
	X		Credit 1.2 Water Efficient Landscaping, Reduce Additional 50% or No Irrigation	
	X		Credit 2 Innovative Wastewater Technologies	
X			Credit 3.1 Water Use Reduction, 20% Reduction	Approved
X			Credit 3.2 Water Use Reduction, Additional 10% Reduction	Approved
Y	0	0	5 Possible	

V	M	N	Energy and Atmosphere	Notes:
Y			Prerequisite 1 Fundamental Building Systems Commissioning	Approved
Y			Prerequisite 2 Minimum Energy Performance	Approved
Y			Prerequisite 3 CFC Reduction in HVAC/R Equipment	Approved
	X		Credit 1.1 Optimize Energy Performance, 12.5% new, 2.5% existing	Approved
X			Credit 1.2 Optimize Energy Performance, 17.51% new, 7.51% existing	Approved
X			Credit 1.3 Optimize Energy Performance, 22.51% New 12.51% Existing	Approved
X			Credit 1.4 Optimize Energy Performance, 27.51% New 17.51% Existing	Approved
X			Credit 1.5 Optimize Energy Performance, 32.51% New 22.51% Existing	Approved
X			Credit 1.6 Optimize Energy Performance, 37.51% New 27.51% Existing	Approved
	X		Credit 1.7 Optimize Energy Performance, 42.51% New 32.51% Existing	
	X		Credit 1.8 Optimize Energy Performance, 47.51% New 37.51% Existing	
	X		Credit 1.9 Optimize Energy Performance, 52.51% New 42.51% Existing	
	X		Credit 1.10 Optimize Energy Performance, 57.51% New 47.51% Existing	
	X		Credit 2.1 Renewable Energy, 2.5%-7.5% Contribution	
	X		Credit 2.2 Renewable Energy, 7.51%-15.5% Contribution	
	X		Credit 2.3 Renewable Energy, 15.51% Contribution	
X			Credit 3 Additional Commissioning	Approved
X			Credit 4 Green Power	Approved
	X		Credit 5 Measurement & Verification	
	X		Credit 6 Green Power	
Y	0	0	17 Possible	



Six categories

- ❖ Sustainable Sites
- ❖ Water Efficiency
- ❖ Energy and Atmosphere
- ❖ Materials and Resources
- ❖ Indoor Environmental Quality
- ❖ Innovation & Design Process





V	M	R	Materials and Resources	Notes:
Y			Prerequisite 1: Storage & Collection of Recyclables	Approved
	X		Credit 1.1: Building Reuse, Maintain 75% of Existing Shell	
	X		Credit 1.2: Building Reuse, Maintain Additional 25% of Shell	
	X		Credit 1.3: Building Reuse, Maintain 100% Shell & 50% Non-Shell	
X			Credit 2.1: Construction Waste Management, Salvage or Recycle 50%	Approved
X			Credit 2.2: Construction Waste Management, Salvage Additional 25%	Approved
	X		Credit 3.1: Resource Reuse, Specify 5% Reuse	
	X		Credit 3.2: Resource Reuse, Specify 10% Reuse	
X			Credit 4.1: Recycled Content, Specify 5% Recycled Content (pc + up to)	Approved
X			Credit 4.2: Recycled Content, Specify 10% Recycled Content (pc + up to)	Approved
X			Credit 5.1: Local/Regional Materials, 20% Manufactured Locally	Approved
X			Credit 5.2: Local/Regional Materials, of 25% Above 50% Harvested Locally	Approved
	X		Credit 6: Rapidly Renewable Materials	
X			Credit 7: Certified Wood	Approved
15	0	0	13 Possible	

V	M	R	Indoor Environmental Quality	Notes:
Y			Prerequisite 1: Minimum IAQ Performance	Approved
Y			Prerequisite 2: Environmental Tobacco Smoke (ETS) Control	Approved
X			Credit 1: Carbon Dioxide (CO ₂) Monitoring	Approved
	X		Credit 2: Increase Ventilation Effectiveness	
X			Credit 3.1: Construction IAQ Management Plan, During Construction	Approved
X			Credit 3.2: Construction IAQ Management Plan, Prior to Occupancy	Approved
X			Credit 4.1: Low-Emitting Materials, Adhesives	Approved
X			Credit 4.2: Low-Emitting Materials, Paints	Approved
X			Credit 4.3: Low-Emitting Materials, Carpet	Approved
X			Credit 4.4: Low-Emitting Materials, Composite Wood	Approved
	X		Credit 5: Indoor Chemical and Pollutant Source Control	
	X		Credit 6.1: Controlability of Systems, Operable Window	
	X		Credit 6.2: Controlability of Systems, Individual Controls	
X			Credit 7.1: Thermal Comfort, Comply with ASHRAE 55-2004	Approved
X			Credit 7.2: Thermal Comfort, Permanent Monitoring System	Approved
	X		Credit 8.1: Daylight and Views, Diffuse Daylight to 75% of Space	
X			Credit 8.2: Daylight and Views, Direct Line of Site to 80% of Space	Approved
15	0	0	15 Possible	

V	M	R	Innovation & Design Process	Notes:
X			Credit 1.1: Educational outreach- signage and tour	Approved
X			Credit 1.2: Process Water Treatment	Approved
X			Credit 1.3: Excess MRB	Approved
X			Credit 1.4: Excess MRB	Approved
X			Credit 2: LEED® Accredited Professional	Approved
5	0	0	5 Possible	

0 - 25	Insufficient
26 - 32	Certified
33 - 38	Silver
39 - 51	Gold
52 - 69	Platinum

Project Notes:

Project Points	Maybe
40	0
Gold	





Challenges

- ❖ Lack of experienced professionals.
- ❖ Lack of capacity in the building trades to meet the demand for green building .
- ❖ Lack of data on green building performance.
- ❖ Lack of education about how to manage, operate, and inhabit green buildings.



Rewards

- ▶ Environmentally friendly
- ▶ Public Stewardship
- ▶ Efficient use of energy
- ▶ Minimize use of water
- ▶ Healthier building for public and employees
- ▶ Maximize use of daylight
- ▶ Fiscally responsible
- ▶ Educated decisions
- ▶ People love our flowers









Laramie County Library

- ❖ LEED Gold Certified building
- ❖ 2008 Library Journal Library of the Year
- ❖ Named one of America's 10 Great Public Libraries by USA Today
- ❖ Always striving for excellence in service to our public

