



# Cities LEED the Charge on Efficiency <u>City of Cleveland's Perspectives</u>

**2019 Midwest Building Energy Codes Conference** 

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# Office of Sustainability

- Save the City money and reduce its ecological footprint
- Use sustainability and climate action as a tool for economic development
- Provide tools and resources to make sustainability business-as-usual
- Foster a culture that embraces sustainability

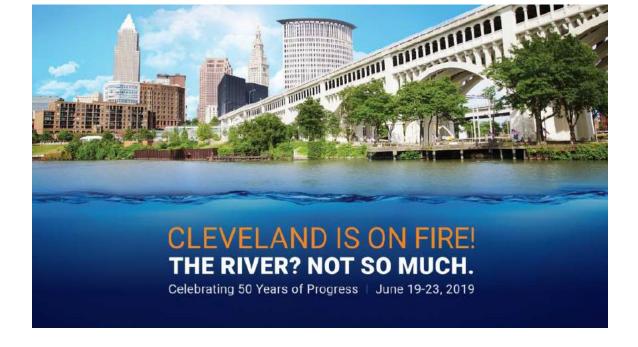


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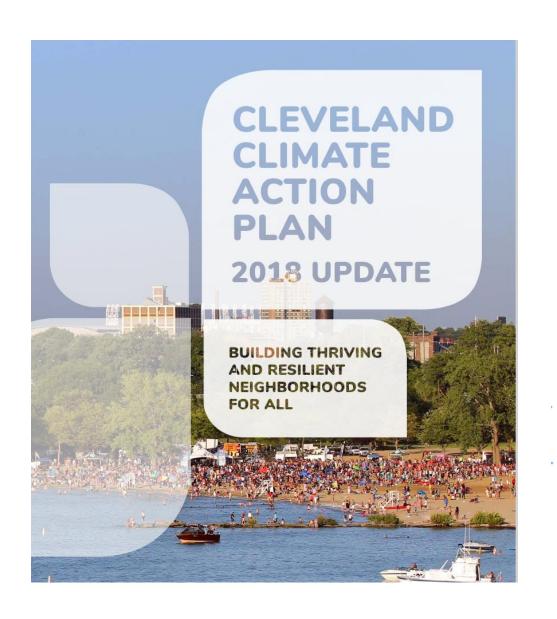
# 2019: Surprise and Amaze with our Transformation





### **CBS THIS MORNING VIDEO**







#### Energy Efficiency & Green Building



Clean Energy



Sustainable Transportation



Clean Water & Vibrant Green Space



More Local Food, Less Waste



Cross-Cutting Priorities





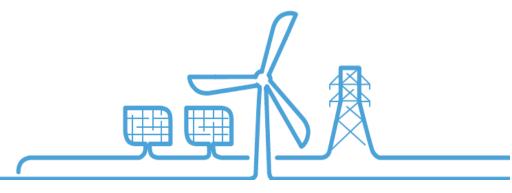
#### **GOALS**

- By 2030, reduce residential and commercial energy use 50% and industrial use by 30% saving Cleveland households and businesses \$170 million annually from utility savings.
- All large commercial and industrial buildings are tracking and managing their energy use by 2023

#### **OBJECTIVES**

- 1. Make more homes affordable, comfortable, healthy, and energy efficient
- 2. Prioritize **energy efficiency** in small and mid-size businesses
- 3. Support community hubs to be more efficient and resilient
- 4. Promote new construction and major renovations that meet **high green building standards**





#### **GOALS**

- 25% of electricity use in Cleveland is supplied from renewable sources by 2030 (15% by 2022)
- Ensure all residents and businesses have access to affordable clean energy programs
- 100% of electricity demand from clean, renewable energy by 2050

#### **OBJECTIVES**

- 5. Generate more solar energy locally
- 6. Improve access to affordable clean energy for residents and small organizations
- 7. Reduce commercial and industrial emissions with advanced technologies
- 8. Establish an offshore wind industry in Northeast Ohio
- 9. Use advanced technology to build a cleaner, safer, smarter city
- 10. Support clean energy policy

## Cleveland Leading on Climate







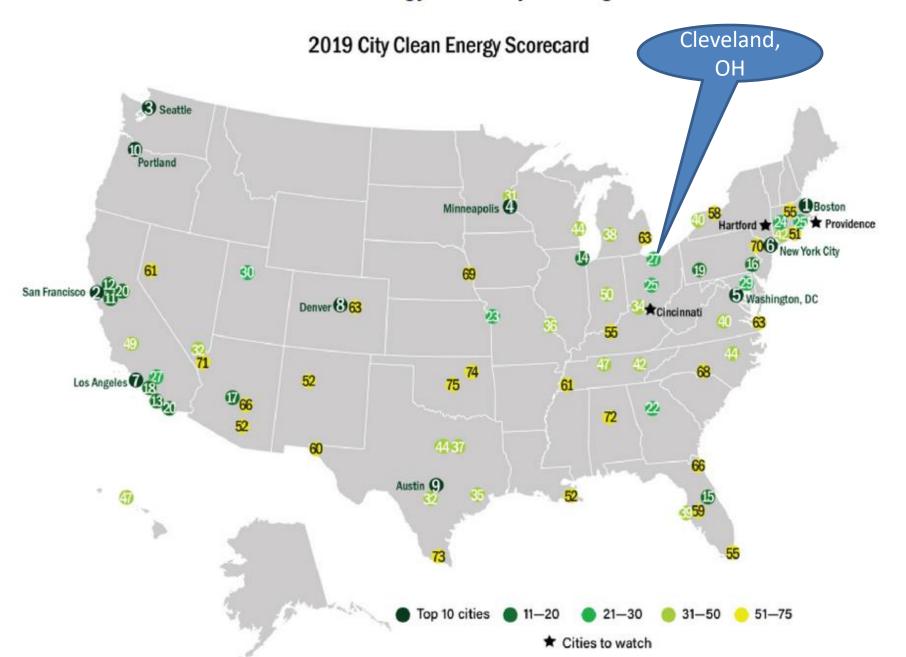
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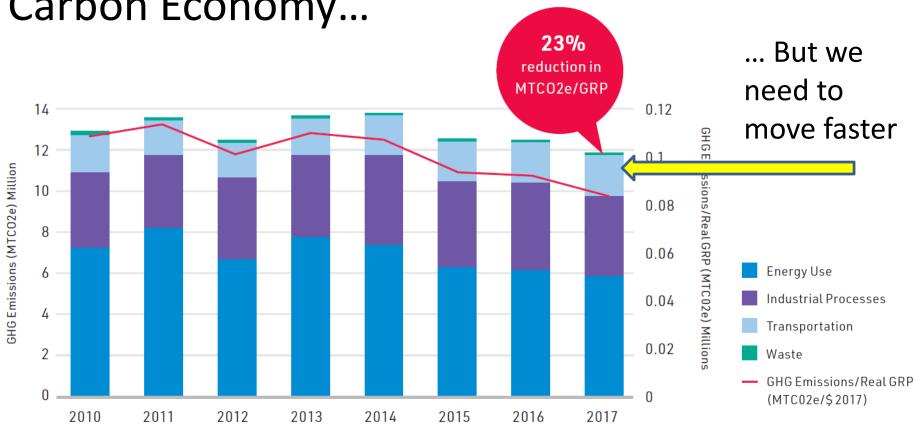
**American Planning Association** 

Creating Great Communities for All

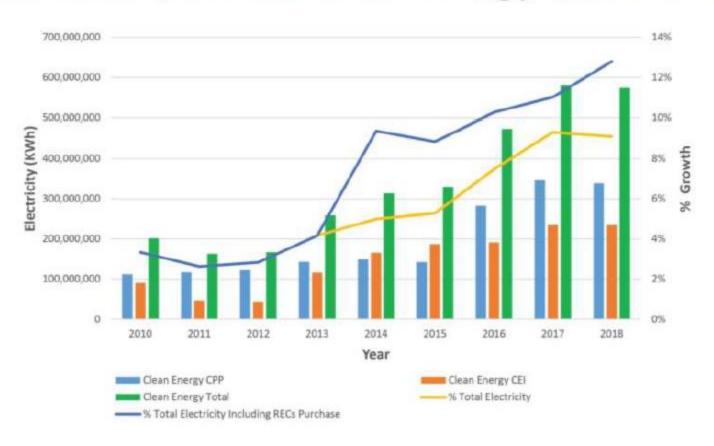
#### **ACEEE's Energy Efficiency Ranking**



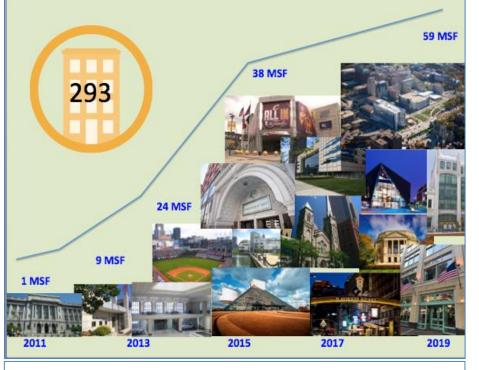
Cleveland's on its way to creating a Low-Carbon Economy...

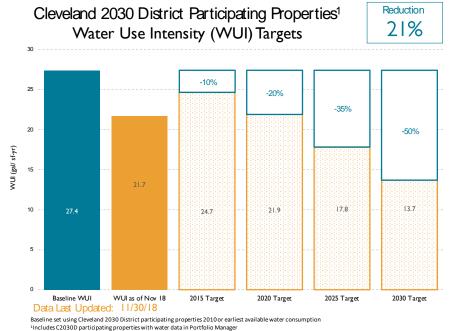


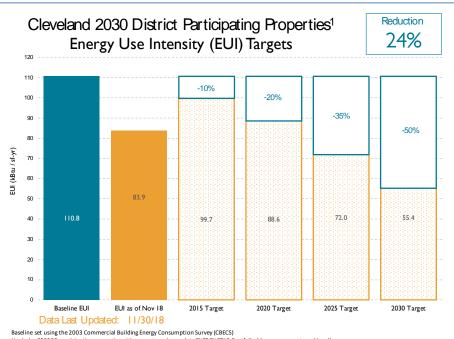
## 400+% increase in clean energy since 2010



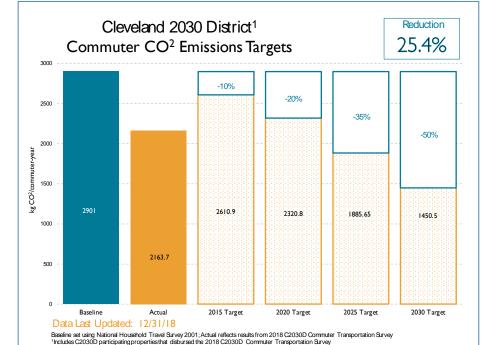


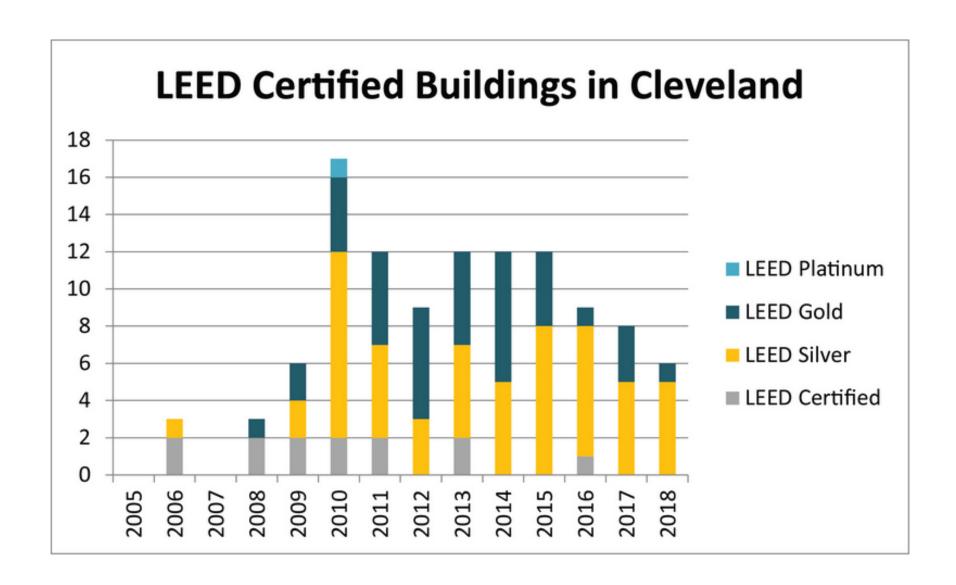
















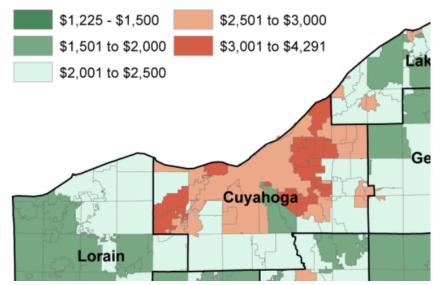
## Cleveland Residential Tax Abatement Program

- Residential Only
- Single & Multi-Family
- Remodeling & New Construction
- ❖ Affordable & Market Rate

#### **Green Building Compliance Pathways:**

- Enterprise Green Communities (EGC) Certification (Affordable Housing) or Compliance
- ❖ LEED Silver OR National Green Building Standard (NGBS) Silver
- ❖ Passive House or Living Building Challenge
- Multiple criteria such as design, location, site improvements, water, energy and such.

#### Property tax rate per \$100,000 of home value



#### **Benefits**

- Green Certification
- ❖ 15 year Tax Abatement (New Construction)
- **❖** \$200,000 home = \$75-\$120k savings

## Green Buildings Standard Handbook

Table 1: Eligible Rating Systems by Building Type

Building Category*	New Construction	Substantial Rehab	Moderate Rehab
Single Family and Multifamily Low-Rise (Affordable)	A: EGC certified through Enterprise C: LEED Silver D: NGBS Silver	A: EGC certified through Enterprise C: LEED Silver D: NGBS Silver	A: EGC certified through Enterprise D: NGBS Silver
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<sup>\*</sup>The definitions in each rating system determine if a multifamily building is classified as low-rise, mid-rise, or high-rise. Use Enterprise Green Communities definitions to determine affordable vs. market rate.

As noted above, regardless of compliance path selected, all projects must meet the mandatory requirements set forth in Criterion 2, Location + Neighborhood Fabric, of the 2015 Enterprise Green Communities Criteria.

<sup>\*\*</sup> See Appendices for EGC Compliance and energy efficiency requirements

# **Energy & Testing & Ventilation**

#### Single Family - Midrise

- HERS Rating
  - LEED Homes:70 or better OR
     LEED Energy Budget
  - EGC: 85 or better
    - 100 for pre-1980 bldgs
  - NGBS: ~ 75
- Energy Star v.3 (New Const)
- Pre-Drywall (New & Sub)
- Blower door (all)

#### **Key Factors**

- HVAC & DWH Selections
- New v. Reno & # floors
- Historic

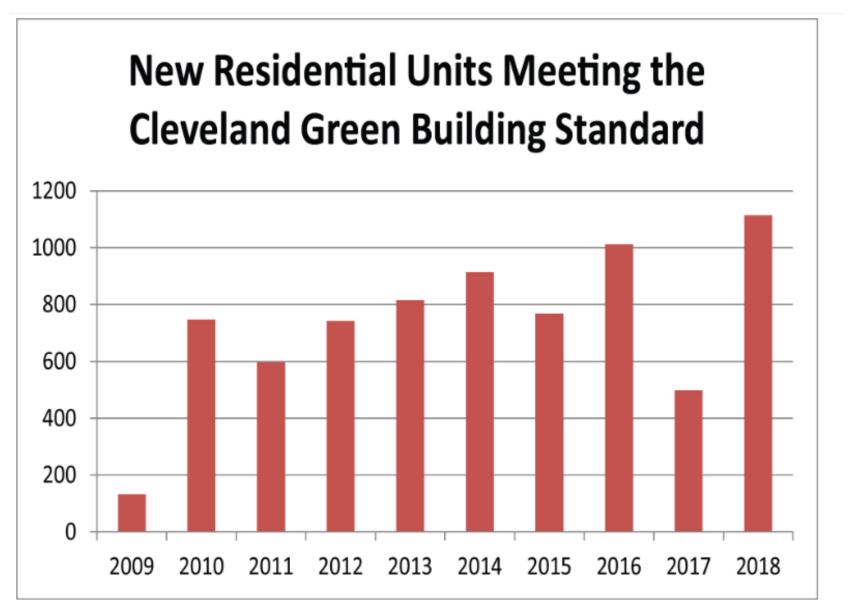
#### Midrise - Highrise

- Whole Building Energy Model
  - LEED: v.4 ASHRAE 2010
    - Multi-family midrise: 5% improvement
    - · Highrise: 5% new 3% rehab
  - EGC New: 15% better
  - EGC Rehab: Even
- EGC Certified or Compliance & LEED Midrise:
  - Commissioning + Blower Door
  - + Energy Star High Rise (New)
  - More stringent Ventilation Requirements (EGC)
- LEED High Rise: Commissioning only





## Metrics – Tax Abatement Program



## HERS Data set – 1+2 Family

### Database for Analysis

- HERS Software Version: REM/Rate V
   14.6
- New Construction (2014 2016)
- Home types: Single Family, Duplex
- Number of homes:
  - City of Cleveland: 348
    - ~ 81 % of all building permits (Census)
- Average size: \* Sq. Ft. (Conditioned)
  - City of Cleveland: 2,036



## How is Cleveland doing?

## Compliance with Tax Abatement Program

- 161 new 1+2 family were approved
  - 155 of them used Energy Star
  - Efficient insulation, windows,
     mechanical equipment, lighting, well sealed homes and ducts
- According to HERS data, lots more homes could have met Energy Star
- Avg. HERS Score = 63



# Energy Star vs. Non Energy Star What are key differences?

Averages by Component	Single Family*		Duplex*	
Averages by Component	ES V. 3	Non ES	ES V. 3	Non ES
# Homes	87	55	68	138
HERS Score	58	62	61	67
Conditioned Area	2724	3437	1613	1253
AGW Cavity (U-Factor/R Eq.)	.065/15	.072/14	.059/17	.065/15
Ceiling (R-Value)	37	39	40	50
Window (U-Factor)	.29	.31	.28	.30
Air Leakage (ACH50)	3	3	4.5	5.3
Duct Leakage (%)	1.09	1.6	2.18	Cond.
AC Efficiency (SEER)	13	13	15	13
Heating Efficiency (AFUE)	94	94	95	85

<sup>\*</sup>Data from HERS Analysis

## Conclusions ES vs Non ES

- Components in single family home similar between ES vs Non ES
  - ES has tighter envelope + ducts, better windows, foundation & wall insulation
- Duplex vast difference between ES vs Non
  - ES Duplex more efficient components all around



## Conclusions

### Potential Updates to Green Standard

- Ohio has adopted 2018 IECC for residential codes effective July 2019, among other compliance pathways.
- Still uses Energy Star 3.0
- Most builders can meet ES v. 3 and 3.1
- Presents opportunities to update Cleveland's tax incentive program
- Incorporate Energy Star 3.1
  - Incorporate DOE ZERH create path for new homes to be zero energy

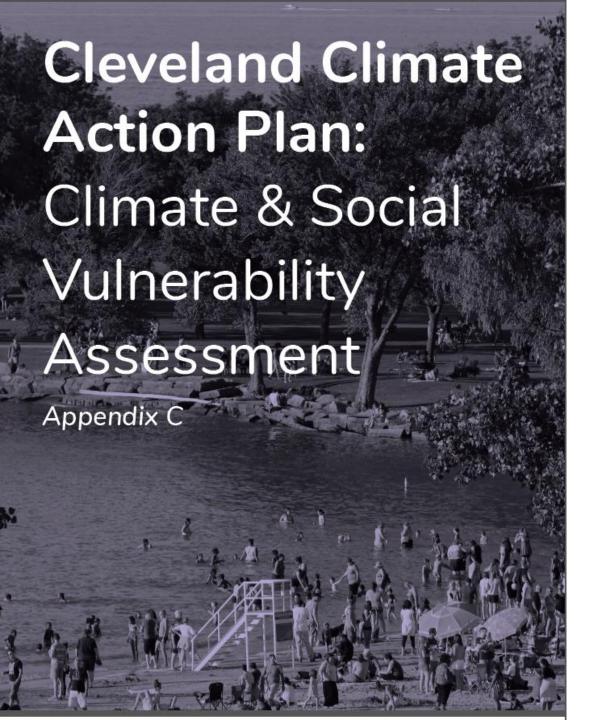


## Conclusions

## Marketing Program

- Builders can meet efficiency requirements
- Given significant tax savings for homeowners, why isn't every new home complying?
- Incentive is for homebuyers (for owner-occupied homes) and developers (multi-family, landlords)
- Provide training and marketing techniques to builders to sell program benefits

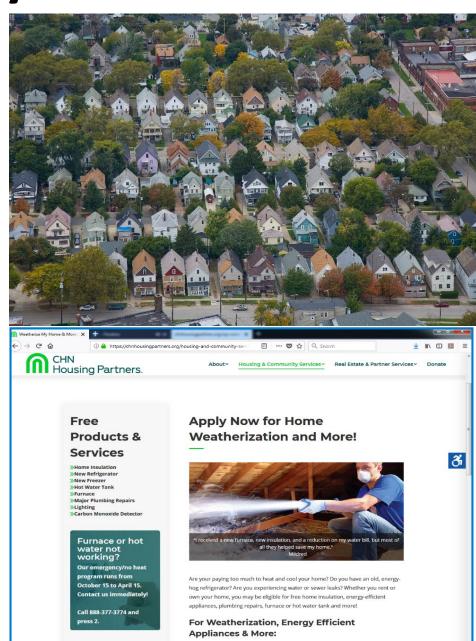




- Process for identifying and assessing vulnerabilities
- Climate change and projected changes for mid & end-century
- Current socio-economic indicators of vulnerable population groups and where they reside
- Cumulative impacts of previous chapters and strategic linkages w/ ongoing efforts in City
- Other important factors and vulnerabilities
- Opportunities to promote climate adaptation

# **Equity**

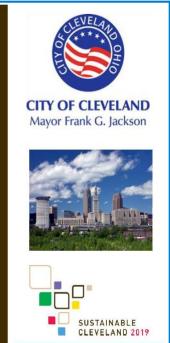
- ➤ Tax Abatement Policy
  Working Group: Economic
  and Fiscal Analysis of the
  program, with policy
  recommendations early
  2020
- Lead Safe Home Legislation/Program: Potential for more weatherization and Solar interventions
- Community: CHN Housing Partners – Weatherization Programs



# SUSTAINABLE CLEVELAND MUNICIPAL ACTION PLAN

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY** 

October 2013



#### **5 Focus Areas - 25 Actions**

Sustainable Municipal Building
Policy - Combines
Health/Comfort, Energy
Efficiency and Resilience

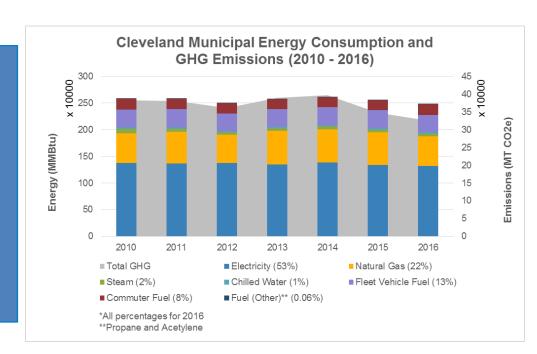
#### **Goals:**

20% GHG reductions by 2020 over 2010 Baseline Year

45% reductions by 2030

#### **Progress:**

23% reductions (2017)



## **Sustainable Municipal Building Policy**

"The City of Cleveland shall incorporate green building practices into the siting, design, construction, remodeling, repair, maintenance, operation, and deconstruction of all City facilities."

- **New Construction and Major Renovations:** LEED Silver Certification minimum + energy requirements.
- Tenant and Leased Spaces: Preference for certification under ENERGY STAR, LEED, and/or an equivalent standard.
- "Fix it First" Projects: Capital repairs to City facilities will use Energy Star and Water Sense products...

## **New Construction Facilities**

Collinwood Recreation Center (2011) – LEED Gold Certified



3<sup>rd</sup> District Police Headquarters (2015) – Built to LEED Silver standards



New City of Cleveland Kennel (March 2019) Goal: LEED Silver (v3)



New Fire Station #36 (2016)
Built to LEED Silver standards





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