

Green Building Certification

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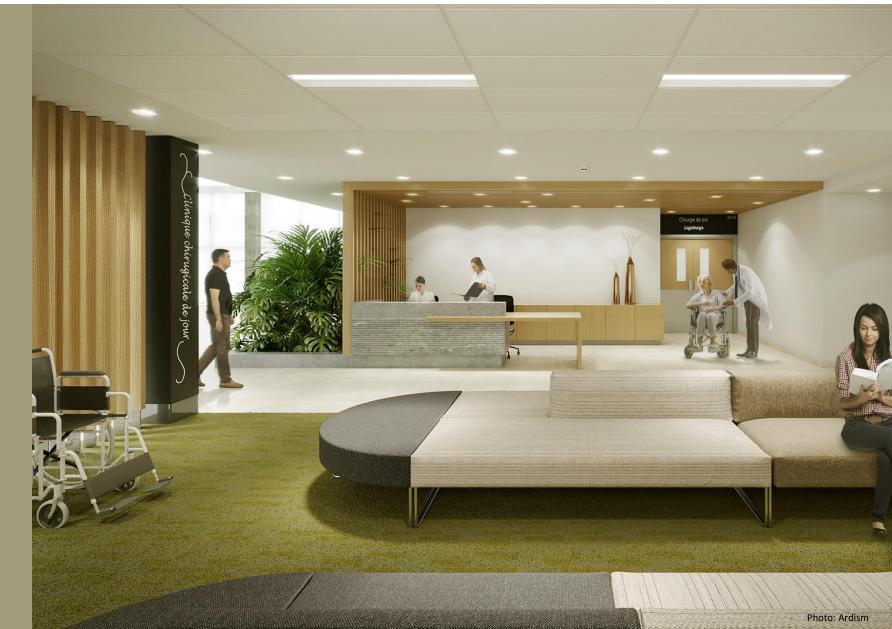
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What is a Green Building Rating System?

= method of

assessing, rating, and certifying

the sustainability of buildings.



Why Use a Green Building Rating System?

- Achieve sustainability goals
- Comprehensive tools
- Create cost-efficient buildings
- Make buildings healthier & increase patient discharge rate
- Compliance to ESG criteria for green financing
- Recognition and marketing
- Increase in capital cost
- Accountability





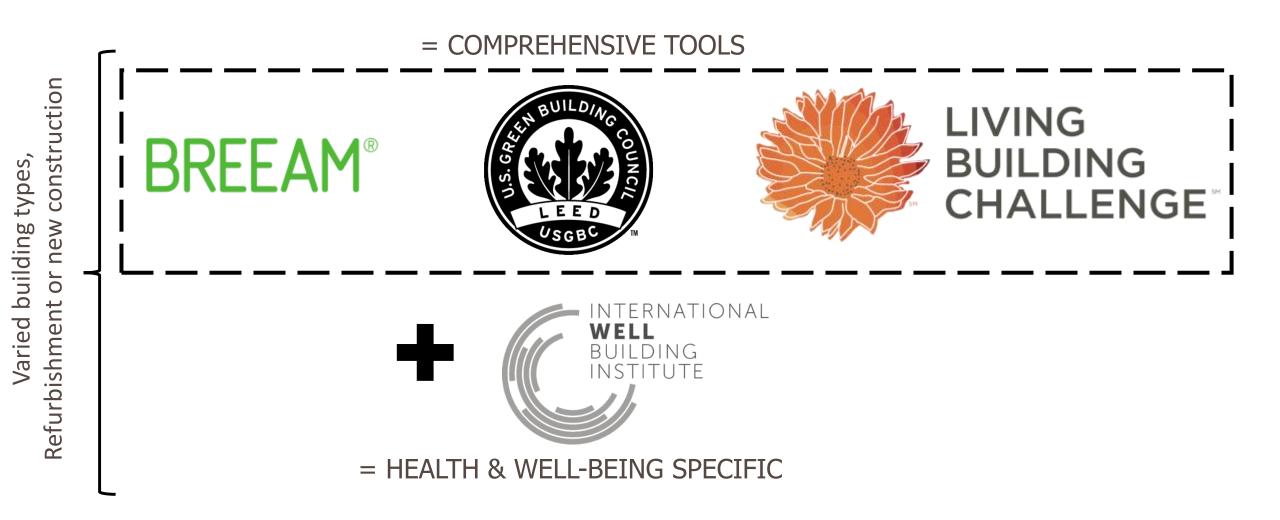






LIVING BUILDING CHALLENGE







- Building Research Establishment
 Environmental Assessment
 Methodology
 - Since 1990
 - BRE (UK)
 - >550.000 certified buildings
 - >50 countries
 - Certification process: licensed assessor collects data



= Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design

• Since 1998

- USGBC & GBCI non-profit
- >84.000 certified buildings
- 82 countries
- Certification process: data collected by design team



= Living Building Challenge

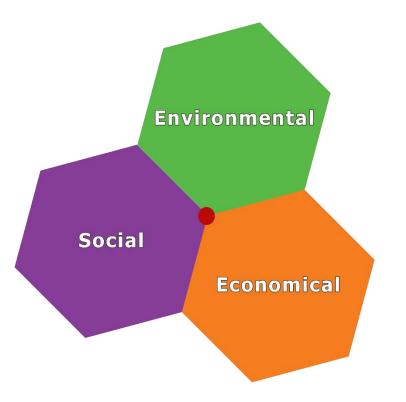
Since 2006

- Living Future Institute non-profit
- >136 certified buildings
- > 34 countries (regsitered)
- Certification process: data collected by design team after 12 months occupancy, <u>based on actual consumption</u>,



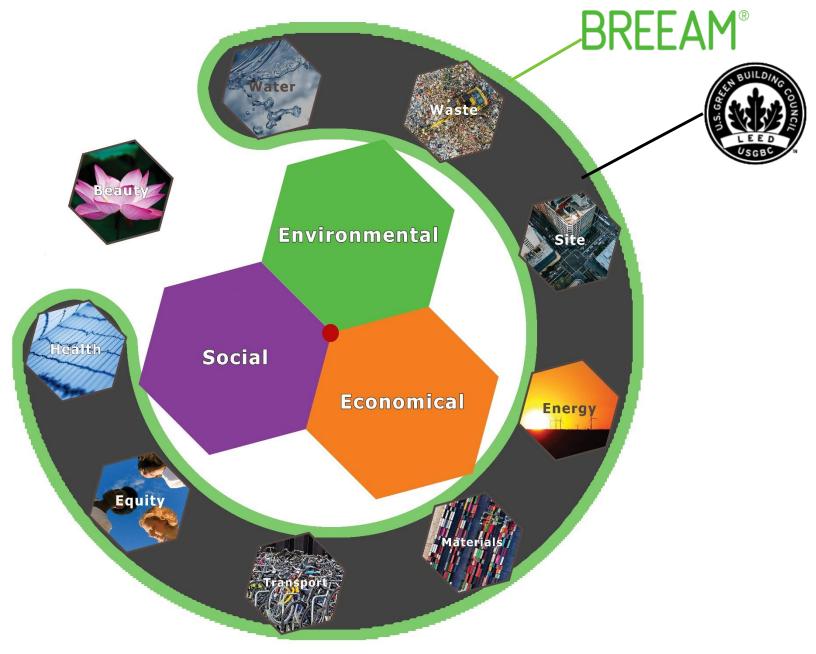
= WELL Building Standard

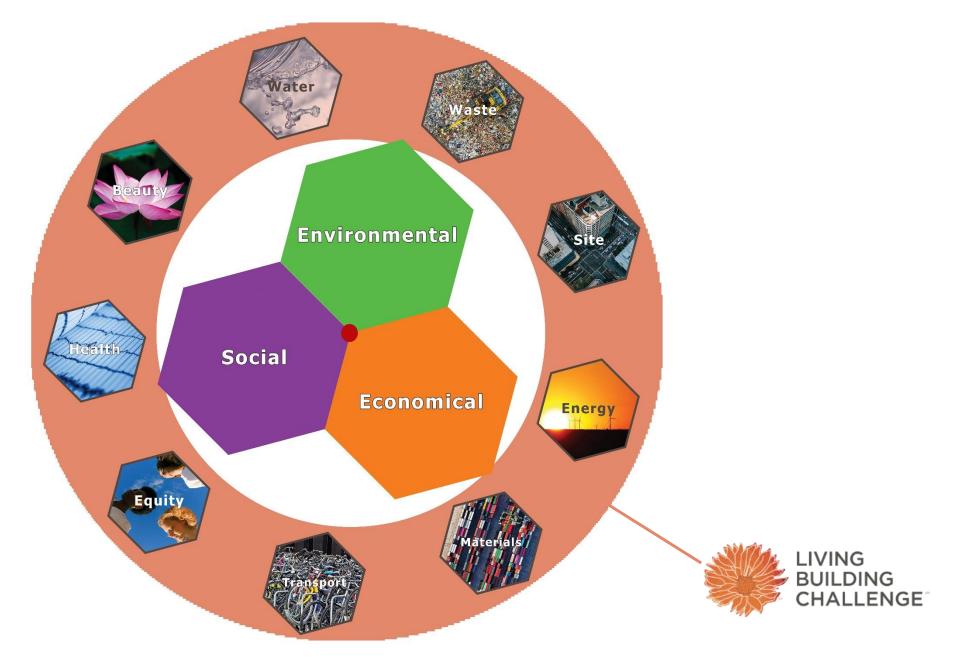
- Since 2014
- International WELL Building Institute & GBCI
- >340 certified buildings
- >67 countries
- Certification process: after 1 month occupancy, based on actual performance, data collected by design team
- Crosswalks with LEED, BREEAM & LBC

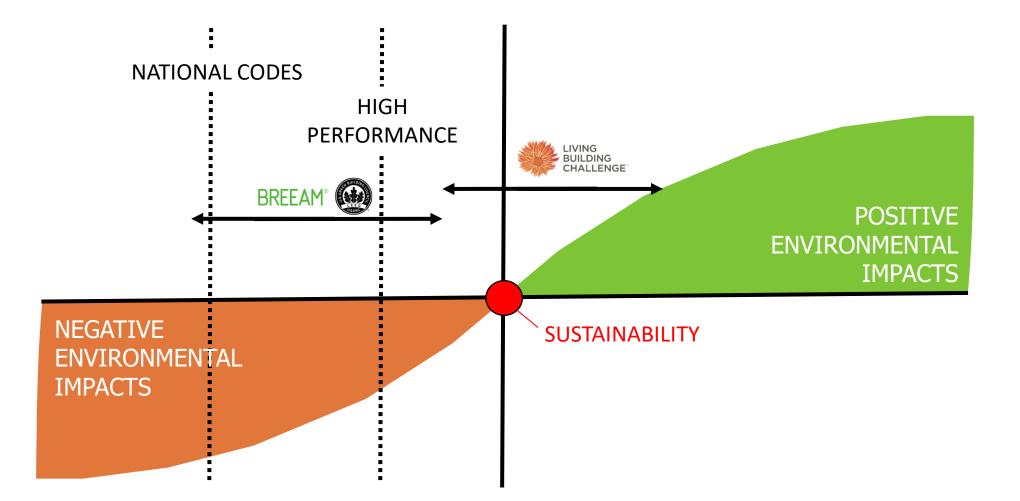


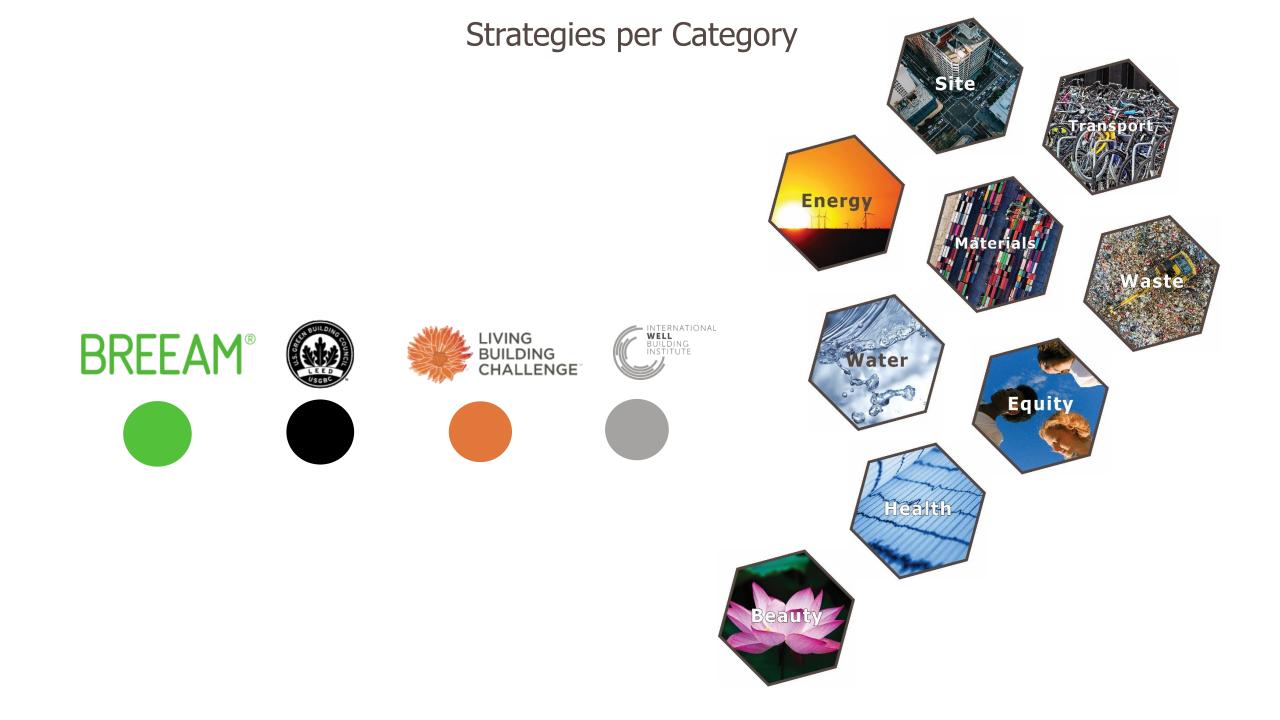










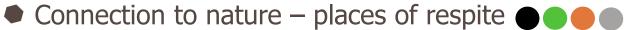


Brownfield remediatation

Protect sensitive land / natural habitats

- Access to public transportation
- High density building
- Privilege neighbourhood with diversity of use
- Travel assessment
- Avoid flood-risk, natural hazard risk areas





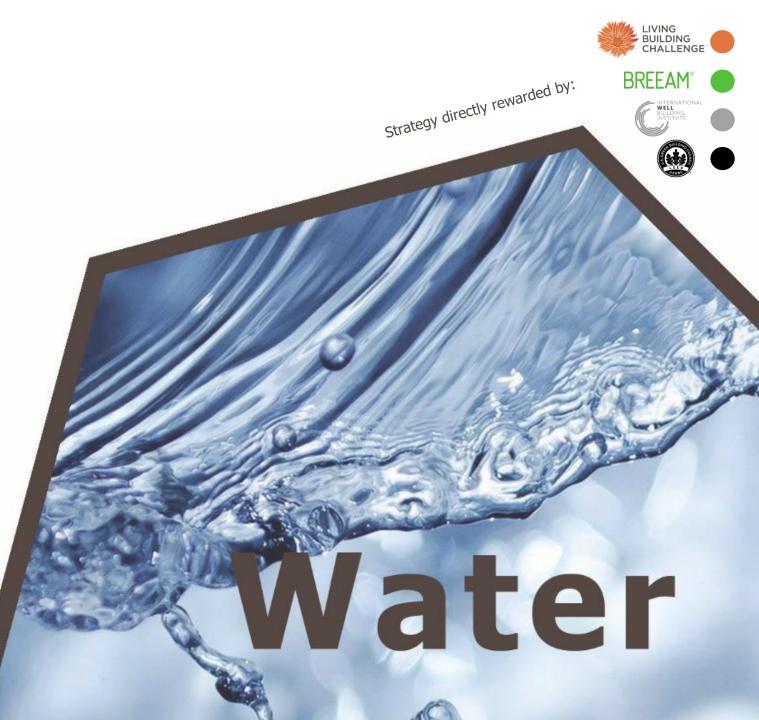
- Heat island reduction
- Manage rainwater
- Design for resilience
- Prevent pollution/long-term impact from construction activities
- Light pollution reduction
- Noise pollution reduction
- Alarm Systems
- Enhance site ecology
- No petrochemical fertilizers or pesticides (
- Promote urban agriculture



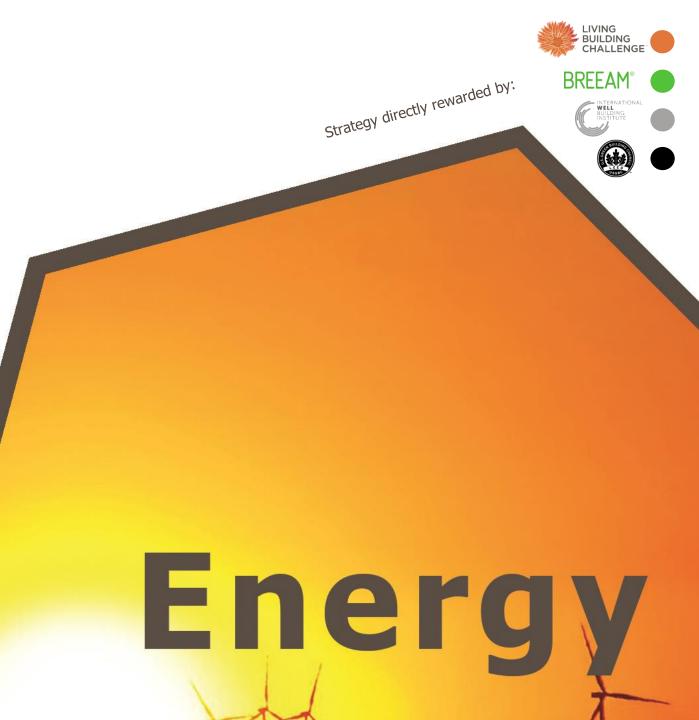
- Access to public transportation
- Promote bicycling, walking
- Promote electric vehicles and carpooling
- Limited car parking
- Survey occupants on fuel-based trips



- Indoor water use reduction
 - Low-flow / low-flush fixtures
 - Water-efficient appliances
- Outdoor water use reduction
 - Efficient/no irrigation systems
 - Native adapted vegetation
- Water harvesting and reuse
- Water quality & prevention of water pollution
- Process water preservation and control
- Level metering, leakage prevention and detection systems



- Optimize energy performance:
 - Bioclimatic architecture
 - Fabric performance
 - Air permeability
 - Efficient building services
 - Low-energy lighting
- Renewable energy
- No harmful refrigerants
- Level monitoring
- Grid harmonization
- Offset embodied carbon emissions from construction
- Design for resilience: energy storage



Soppuka Welfare Centre Finland 6,790 sqm



Case Study 1

Owner: YIT Arch.: Lukkaroinen Architects Sustain. Consult.: GBP MEP Eng.: Granlund Oulu Constr. Man.: AINS

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LEED v.4 NC Healthcare since 2020

Energy simulation

85,9 % on heating

Reduction in energy consumption: (from baseline)

STRATEGIES

Geothermal system for heating & cooling + district heating

- No refrigerants
- Energy-efficient luminaires
- Heat recovery in ventilation
- Remote monitoring system

80,6 % on exterior lighting

60,0 % on service water heating

53,0 % on interior lighting

source: GBP

Photos courtesy: Lukkaroinen Architect

STRATEGIES

Low flow faucets with aerators
Low flow shower heads
Low flush toilets & urinals
Native and adapted plants species

Water Use Reduction

Reduction in water consumption: (from baseline)

0 on indoor water use

Water use for outdoor irrigation

- Reduce: material efficiency
- Building life-cycle impact reduction : building re-use
- Product disclosure and optimisation:
 - Full life-cycle assessment
 - Materials/furniture re-use
 - Non-toxic components/ingredients
 - Labeled/certified responsible materials
 - Local materials
 - Reduced embodied carbon
- Design for flexibility/future
- Design for durability/resilience
- Containment of hazardous chemicals



- Storage for recyclables
- Repurpose waste
- Divert construction waste
- Maintenance and repair program
- Re-usable, non-plastic kitchen ware



Case Study 2

CERTIFIED PETAL

LBC 3.1

LEED v.4 NC

since 2020, 2019

CoLab

800 sqm

USA

Owner: HITT Contracting Arch.William McDonough + Partners MEP Eng.: Staengl Engineering Struct. Consult.: Simpson, Gumpertz & Heger

STRATEGIES

- No harmful materials
 No PVC
- FSC mass timber structure for reduced embodied carbon

- Use timber as finished material
- Locally sourced materials
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- Reclaimed, reused materials
- Education on product disclosure for suppliers
- Market change driver

Sustainable Materials

Of the total material cost:

40 % is sourced from within 500km of the site

9 % is from sources with recycled content

Source: The Living Building Challenge

Carbon positive structure:

+ 91.47 mtCO2eq

-179.5 mtCO2eq steel + concrete

all wood vs + concrete

Source: William Mc Donough + Partners

STRATEGIES

- 3 waste streams, shared dumpsters with community
- Millwork sourced from trees from project site
- Disassembly allows for easy repairing
- Cradle to cradle certified products (waste = food)

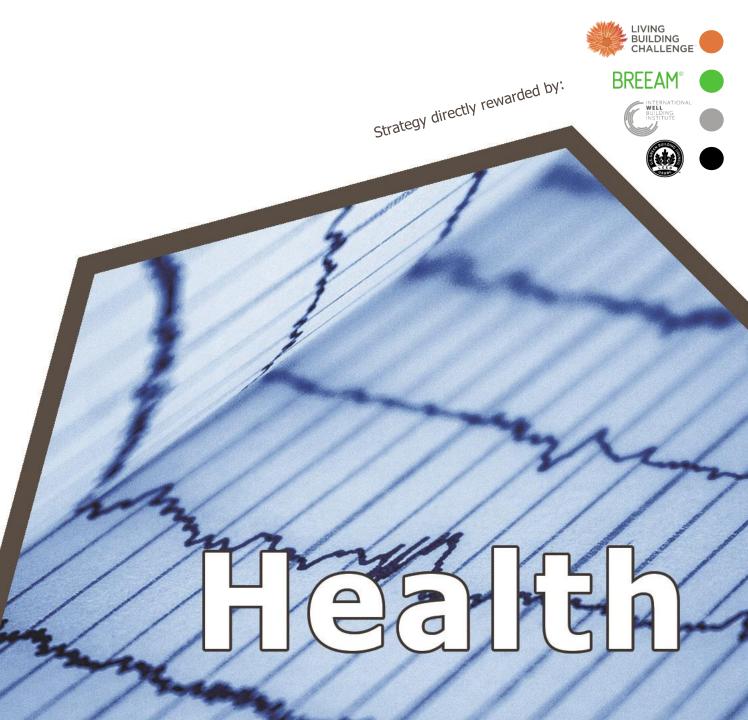
Net Positive Waste

100 % of demolition waste was recycled

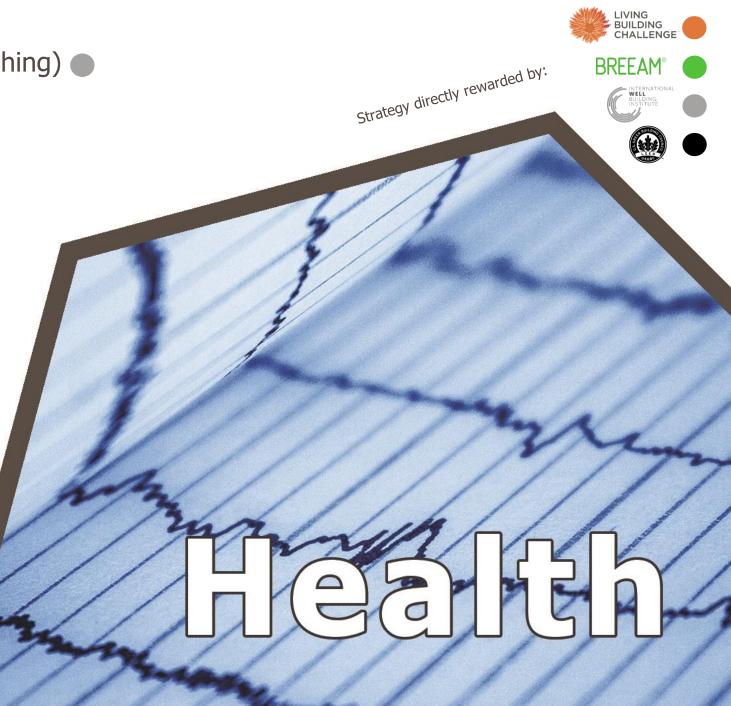
13,600 estimated recycled bottles to make PET resilient flooring

Source: The Living Building Challeng & William McDonough Partner

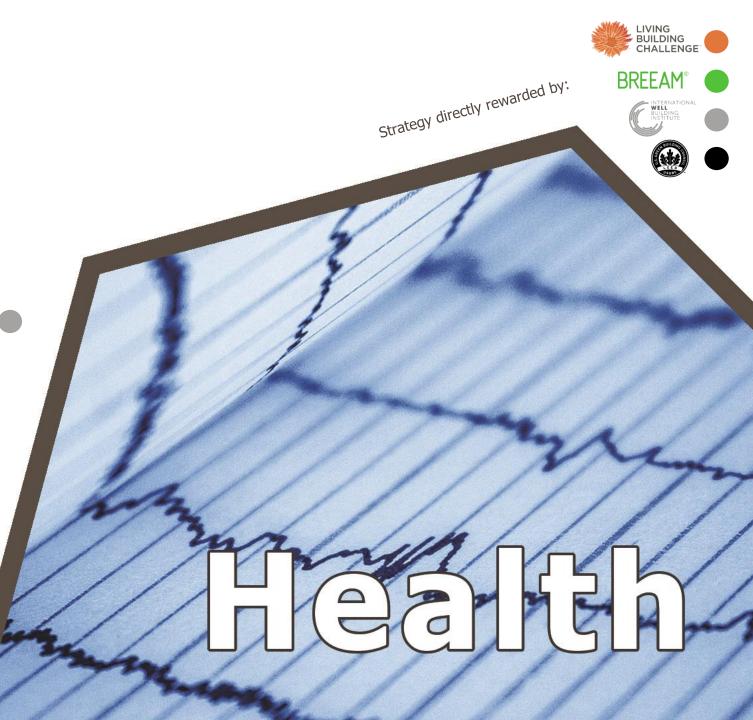
- Enhanced indoor air quality
 - Ventilation rate & filtering
 - CO₂, CO & NO₂ sensors
 - Low-emitting materials
 - No/low radon grade
 - Flush out after construction
 - Entryway systems
- Access to daylight
- Quality views
- Thermal comfort & control
- Adequate interior lighting
- Acoustic comfort
- Glare & flicker control
- Circadian light
- No smoking policy



- Hygiene support (bathroom and handwashing)
- Contact reduction for airborne contaminants
- Safe containment in laboratories
- Cleaning protocols & safe cleaning products
- Combustion minimization
- Separate exhaust for humidity/chemicals
- Humidity control, mold & moisture prevention
- UV air treatment
- Contact reduction for airborne contaminants
- No/low pollution of heating systems
- Prevention of air leakage in envelope
- Legionella risk management



- Opportunities for body movement
- Quality potable drinking water
- Healthy food access & promotion
- Allow for mindful eating breaks
- Access to and promotion of physical activities
- Ergonomic / active workstations
- Variation of sensory experiences
- Mental health & well-being promotion programs
- Stress Management Plan
- Provide space for rest





The Cleveland Clinic Center for Functional Medicine USA 1,580 sqm

WELL BULDES

WELL Building Standard since 2018 Owner: Cleveland Clinic Arch.: Bostwick Design Partnership WELL Assessor: Evolve MEP Eng.: Frederick, Frederick & Heller Engineers, Inc.

STRATEGIES

Low/no VOC finishes & furniture
Daylight access through transoms
Focus on lighting quality
Filtered and tested water
Adjustable desks, chairs & computer screens
Quiet HVAC system
Artwork inspired by culture & nature

Post Occupancy Survey

Employee satisfaction rate:

100 % on amount of space for patient care

86 % on ease of interaction with colleagues

90 % with visual comfort of the light

81 % on air quality in the staff workspaces

source: evolve

- Site selection for equitable development
- Responsible and local sourcing of materials/food
- Inclusive / universal design
- Create fair, healthy, supportive environments
 for building users
- Provide places for gathering and community connection
- Encourage social equity within the project team
- Address needs and disparities within local community
- Keep good quality of air, sunlight for adjacent developments
- Keep free access to natural waterways



- Health benefits plans for occupants & community
- Donation to regional, community-based NGOs focused on equity
- Involve JUST organizations in design and/or construction process
- Promote health-oriented mission
- Provide food for all special diets
- Offer family support for employees
- Implement responsible labor practices
- Promote diversity and inclusion amongst staff



Use of biophilic design principles:

Incorporate nature through environmental features, light and space, and natural shapes, patterns and forms.

 Integrate public art intended for human delight, celebration of culture, spirit and place



Karuna Shechen Jharkhand Clinic India 1,200 sqm Case Study 4

Owner: Karuna Shechen Arch.: Ardism Struct. Eng.: Sukhdev Mistri Constr. Man.: Krishna Kumar Srivastava

Photo courtesy: Karuna Shechen

STRATEGIES

- Fair access to healthcare & vocational training for isolated populations
- Work opportunities for local community
- Envolvement of local community in the construction process
- Fair wages for construction workers
- Universal & inclusive design principles
- Local responsible sourcing of materials



CONCLUSION

- Are we satisfied with the idea of merely reducing the negative environmental impacts of our buildings?
- Do we want to foresee a future in which beauty has not been a priority?
- Should we also do more to improve the health and well-being of all building occupants?



THANK YOU!

Feel free to drop me a question:

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Nurse

Reception

USEFUL LINKS:

Certification

- BREEAM: <u>https://www.breeam.com/</u>
- USGBC (LEED): <u>https://www.usgbc.org/</u>
- The Living Building Challenge: <u>https://living-future.org/</u>
- Well Building Institute: <u>https://www.wellcertified.com/</u>
- Cradle to Cradle: <u>https://www.c2ccertified.org/</u>

NGOs

- Hôpital Sans Frontières (hospital furniture and appliances donation from Benelux): <u>https://www.hsf.be/</u>
- Karuna Shechen (acces to health care, social services and education in India, Nepal & Tibet): <u>https://karuna-shechen.org/</u>



