

Sweet 16! (Thousand)

The Florida Green Building Coalition just surpassed 16,000 "Florida Green" building projects in the state, solidifying it as Florida's leading certifier of green residential and commercial projects, communities and local governments.



FGBC has been Promoting a State of Sustainability since 2000. Thanks to dedicated members, partners and supporters that Build and Live "Florida Green" everyday.

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FGBC Annual Meeting is Sept. 28-29

Make plans now to attend the Florida Green Building Coalition's Annual Meeting, Sept. 28-29 at the Embassy Suites Orlando Downtown.



Activities and events include a project visit, board meeting,

committee meetings, awards and presentations will be highlighted by the grand opening of our new offices in Downtown Orlando.

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Manatee Honored as First Platinum-Certified 'Florida Green' County Government

The Florida Green Building Coalition (FGBC), the leading certifier of green projects in the state, honored [Manatee County](#) as Florida's first platinum-certified county government in a ceremony at the Manatee Board of County Commissioners meeting.

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Welcome New Members

Pierre Dagenais
[Habitat for Humanity Sarasota Inc.](#)
Sarasota

Richard Zucchini
Instament Spray Concrete Inc.
Hollywood

A host of initiatives led to certification, including the County's energy efficient downtown chiller plant, the countywide transition to single-stream recycling and community events, such as Manatee Libraries' Teen Recycled Fashion Show.



[Charlotte County](#) and [St. Lucie County](#) have also been recognized as "Florida Green" county governments. Congratulations!

'Florida Green' Projects at Alys Beach Take Home Honors at Annual AURORA Awards

Alys Beach Construction was honored with six prestigious AURORA Awards, including four for Florida Green Building Coalition (FGBC) "Florida Green" certified homes, during the Southeast Building Conference (SEBC) in Orlando.



"FGBC members work every day to make homes more sustainable, healthier and happier living environments, setting an example for what is possible in green building throughout the

state," said FGBC President Jeremy Nelson. "I commend the commitment and leadership in sustainable building from these recipients."

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MEMBER SPOTLIGHT: First Green Bank: A Local Bank with a Global Mission™

The Florida Green Building Coalition, the state's leading certifier of green projects, welcomes new member First Green Bank.



First Green Bank, A local bank with a global mission™ is the first bank of its kind to promote positive environmental and social responsibility while operating as a traditional community bank.

Keith Costello
[First Green Bank](#)
Fort Lauderdale

Robert Hawkinson
[WeedRecede](#)
Jacksonville

Education Opportunities

October 23-24, 2017
FGBC Certifying Agent Designation Course
Cocoa, FL
[\[Register\]](#)

November 9, 2017
FGBC Certifying Agent Annual Verification Class
Tampa, FL
[\[Register\]](#)

[Energy Star Webinars](#)

[Florida Solar Energy Center \(FSEC\)](#)

[Building America Webinars](#)

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Calendar of Events

Sept. 5-8, 2017
American Planning Association Florida Conference
Ocean Center
Daytona Beach, Fla.
[\[More\]](#)

Sept. 20, 2017
Florida Recycling Partnership Recycling Summit
Port of Tampa
Tampa, Fla.
[\[More\]](#)

Sept. 28-29, 2017
FGBC Annual Meeting
Embassy Suites Downtown
Orlando, Fla.
[\[More\]](#)

Oct. 1-4, 2017
Florida 2017 Annual Brownfields Conference
The Renaissance Vinoy
St. Petersburg, Fla.
[\[More\]](#)

Oct. 16-18, 2017
American Rainwater Catchment Systems

The bank's staff invite you to visit and explore how they can assist you with your banking needs.

First Green Bank has led an impactful and successful charge to prove there is a better way to do business -- one that is financially, environmentally and socially responsible.

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SEBC Draws Large Numbers, Great Reviews

The exhibit hall at this year's Southeast Building Conference featured a special "Florida Green" section of booths headlined by the Florida Green Building Coalition (FGBC) and Florida Solar Energy Center (FSEC).



Celebrating 40 years in 2018, The Southeast Building Conference (SEBC), hosted by the Florida Home Builders Association (FHBA), is the largest building industry trade show in the Southeast.

SEBC is a two-day Expo and Education Show featuring various networking opportunities, professional development, and continuing education conference for anyone and everyone working in the building industry.

FGBC and FSEC teamed up for a reception and networking event at the Gaylord Palms in Orlando. FGBC also provided education for CEU hours during the show. Thanks to everyone who attended SEBC and the reception.



Association Annual Conference
Orlando, Fla.
[\[More\]](#)

Jan. 9-11, 2018
NAHB International Builders Show
Orange County Convention Center
Orlando, Fla.
[\[More\]](#)

Certification News

Homes
Registered: 16,120
Certified: 15,855

Commercial
Registered: 52
Certified: 17

High Rise
Registered: 61
Certified: 22

Land Developments
Registered: 62
Certified: 13

Local Government
Registered: 88
Certified: 70

Recent Certifications

Village of Wellington
Location: Wellington
Type: Local Government
Certified: 7/17/17
Score: 54
Level: Gold

City of St. Cloud
Location: St. Cloud
Type: Local Government
Certified: 8/4/17
Score: 29
Level: Bronze

Recent Registrations

Kolter Hotel
Location: Delray Beach
Type: Commercial
Size: 152,432 s.f.

FGBC Committee Meetings

Board of Directors
2nd Wednesday
Monthly
3 p.m.

Members Invited to ARCSA Conference



While the spotlight shines brightly on the issue of alternative energy and general sustainability, the non-profit American Rainwater Catchment Systems Association (ARCSA) is providing the much-needed expertise and standards to integrate rainwater harvesting back into a prominent role.

ARCSA is the first organization to create training and certification for professionals in the rainwater harvesting industry. This year's annual conference is in Orlando.

[Conference Info and FGBC Member Discount](#)

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FGBC Sponsoring Tallahassee Science Festival



Join us for the 6th Annual Tallahassee Science Festival at Kleman Plaza on Saturday, Oct. 28. The Florida Green Building Coalition has signed on as a sponsor and will promote "Florida Green" during the festival.

This annual event brings together science from across the Tallahassee community. Science is a rich part of the Tallahassee community.

Home to a national lab, dozens of science research centers, and a number of new, private technology-based businesses, STEM flows through every part the economy.

There is fun for children of all ages with more than 100 exhibits representing science, technology, engineering

Commercial

1st Tuesday
Monthly
2 p.m.

Education

1st Thursday
Monthly
3 p.m.

High-Rise

3rd Tuesday
Monthly
11 a.m.

Homes

2nd Tuesday
Monthly
2 p.m.

Land Development

4th Wednesday
Bi-Monthly
2 p.m.

Local Government

3rd Thursday
Monthly
10:30 a.m.

Programs & Promotions

3rd Tuesday
Monthly
3 p.m.

Funding Opportunities

[St. Johns River WMD Water Programs](#)

[South Florida WMD Water Programs](#)

[Southwest Florida WMD Water Programs](#)

[FHFC Multifamily Energy Retrofit Program \(MERP\)](#)

Job Opportunities

[APA Florida Job Board](#)

[Florida Facility Managers Assn Job Board](#)

[Green Dream Jobs](#)

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and math. Last year, more than 6,000 people came to enjoy a fun day of hands-on experiences.

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Appraisal Institute Book Helps Value Green Commercial Real Estate

The Commercial real estate valuation professionals must master a new set of terminology and concepts to identify and understand green property characteristics and to recognize their effects on market demand and value, according to a new book published by the Appraisal Institute.



The Valuation of Green Commercial Real Estate explains how valuation professionals can incorporate the effect of green building into current appraisal methodology.

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Read about the Florida Green Building Coalition taking part in the 2017 Florida League of Cities Conference.



Learn more about the Sustainability Symposium 2018 coming in January.