



2022 FACT SHEET

- With over 27,500 certifications since 2000, the non-profit Florida Green Building Coalition (FGBC) is by far the largest certifier of residential and commercial construction, residential communities, and local governments in Florida.
- In 2000 FGBC brought together industry professionals from the construction, government, academic and research communities to create green standards tailored specifically to Florida.
- FGBC's process, including low builder fees, is often more affordable than other certifications. The free market aspect of FGBC certifiers keep costs low.
- FGBC Florida Green are the only standards developed with Florida-specific criteria. They address Florida's hot-humid climate, distinctive environment, unique topography, resiliency, and natural disasters.
- Since FGBC's local government program was launched, nearly 100 Florida municipalities and counties have achieved or are registered for "Florida Green" certification.
- FGBC's Green Local Government Certification program is the only one of its type endorsed by the Florida Legislature, the Florida League of Cities and the Florida League of Mayors.
- FGBC's five certifications provide pathways to build **green homes, land developments, local governments, high rise, and commercial buildings.**
- Founded in 2000, the Florida Green Building Coalition is a nonprofit 501(C)3 Florida corporation dedicated to improving the built environment. Headquarters is in St. Petersburg, Fla.

- The “Florida Green” mission is to lead and promote a state of sustainability with environmental, economic, and social benefits through regional education, information, grassroots outreach, and Florida-specific certification programs.

Summary of Benefits of FGBC Florida Green

Energy Performance – Exceeds code requirements, while reducing monthly energy bills and greenhouse gas emissions.



Water Conservation – Reduces water usage both inside and outside the home, while decreasing monthly water bills and saving one of the state’s threatened resources.

Site Conservation – Minimal site disturbance and the use of drought tolerant native plants. These lessen water bills, ease yard work and create wildlife habitat.

Healthier Homes and Buildings – Use of products, technology and materials that create a healthier indoor environment. For example, improving moisture control and indoor air quality with low VOC materials and better air filtration systems.

Materials – Use of locally-produced, resource-efficient materials and recycled content. This improves durability and protects the environment.

Disaster Mitigation – Build to withstand natural disasters, such as hurricanes and wildfires and pests, such as termites.

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