

General Resources

eco-friendly web sites for "seniors" www.greenseniors.org , www.thelindbergreport.org, www.grayisgreen.org

<http://oikos.com/>

Includes publications, articles, and resources for sustainability issues.

<http://energystar.gov/>

This website is a wealth of information on products, building standards, tax incentives, etc. They also offer a package of information to help in marketing an ENERGY STAR home. Be warned that all model numbers for fixtures, appliances, etc. should be verified with a manufacturer, since this tends to run behind manufacturer's literature.

<http://greenerbuildings.com/>

This site is aimed more at commercial LEED projects, but includes information on materials and systems that are useful for LEED-H.

<http://www.buildinggreen.com/>

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<http://www.usgbc.org/DisplayPage.aspx?CMSPageID=147#learn>

This is the main page for LEED-H, and includes forms, articles, case studies, and the rating system itself

<http://www.thegbi.org/residential/>

A less stringent standard for green residential construction that still provides a good set of guidelines for sustainability.

<http://www.environmentalhomecenter.com/home.shtml>

A sales website, but one focused on green materials. It can serve as a good introduction to green residential finishes.

<http://www.deckerhomes.com/>

A Toledo-based builder who has been successfully building and marketing green production homes for a number of years

Materials

<http://ohioline.osu.edu/hyg-fact/1000/1643.html>

Ohio State document describing drought-resistant techniques and appropriate plant species for our area.

http://www.nationalgypsum.com/about/company_info/green.aspx

National Gypsum's page describing their 100% recycled drywall product.

http://www.michigan.gov/documents/deq/deq-ess-p2tas-drywall_185414_7.pdf
State-produced sheet on recycling options for drywall.

<http://www.altruwood.com/fsc.phtml>
Source for FSC Ipe and other woods

http://www.jameshardie.com/pdf/green_tech.pdf
Hardie's "green" support page for their product, including a toll-free connection to documentation to support LEED submissions.

http://www.buildingscienceconsulting.com/resources/presentations/advanced_framing.pdf
Building Science's presentation on Optimal Value Engineering

http://www.energystar.gov/ia/home_improvement/home_solutions/doeframing.pdf
ENERGY STAR's presentation on Optimal Value Engineering

<http://www.thermatru.com/EstarIntro.aspx>
Therma-tru's URL to access their products' ENERGY STAR statistics

http://www.ikea.com/ms/en_US/about_ikea/social_environmental/social_and_environmental.pdf
An annual report describing IKEA's social and environmental policies, part of which includes adherence to a European standard on VOC's in composite wood products like cabinetry.

<http://www.lgsecrets.com/eden/>
The website for the solid-surfacing material used in the Northside project. It includes 15% pre-consumer recycled content, and contributes to the durability planning for the homes.

http://www.treehugger.com/files/2007/03/green_counterto.php
An article presenting a variety of greener counter options. (Note this was published previous to the release of LG's Eden product.)

<http://www.ohioconcrete.org/Pervious%20Concrete.htm>
A link to the Ohio Readymix Association's page on pervious concrete. It includes their specification, photos of installation methods, listings of individuals and companies trained to install pervious concrete, etc.

<http://www.ohioconcrete.org/Final%20Summary%20of%20comments%20for%20handout.pdf>
An article discussing the weathering characteristics of pervious concrete

<http://www.rmc-foundation.org/newsite/images/Pervious%20Concrete%20Research%20Compilation.pdf>

A compilation of articles examining the characteristics of pervious concrete

<http://www.sd1.org/>

This is the website for Northern Kentucky Sanitation District #1, who has a site that serves as a demonstration of a variety of stormwater management techniques, including pervious paving (concrete, asphalt, and unit pavers), vegetated swales, and retention ponds.

<http://www.strongtie.com/>

Simpson Strong-Tie's website, with fasteners used to keep wood and concrete separate

<http://www.benjaminmoore.com/>

Benjamin Moore (like many other major manufacturers) offers a VOC-conscious line of interior paints.

<http://www.metalpanelsystems.com/>

This is the website for the supplier of the roofing system for the Northside project.

<http://www.caromausa.com/products/pdf/Royale%20270%20Elongated.pdf>

Cut sheet for Caroma's Royale 270 dual flush toilet.

<http://www.bryant.com/>

Bryant's website, including information about their "hybrid" system.

<http://www.residential.carrier.com/>

Carrier's residential website, including information on their "hybrid" systems.

<http://www.pella.com/>

Pella's website, which includes energy and environmental information about their products.