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Current LEED Certifications California and Nevada

Platinum	1
Gold	35
Silver	7
Certified	82
Total	125

DEG's LEED for Homes Tally

Projects	150
Builders	122
Units	2,837 (active)
Reps	38
Raters	18

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FAQs, costs and other LEED
information

Welcome to Davis Energy Group's inaugural grEEEn® newsletter. This publication is for our green programs, energy consulting and Building America clients to provide news and updates on DEG's programs, consulting and energy efficient design services.

Recent LEED certification:

Gish Apartments

City – San Jose
Type – Affordable
Certified – LEED for Homes **GOLD**
Provider Rep – Lynn Simon, Simon
and Associates

Rater – Susan McGarry, His & H.E.R.S. Raters

Builder – First Community Housing

Project details – http://www.firsthousing.org/projects_gish.htm



Gish Apartments was one of the original 10 applicants in the LEED for Homes Pilot Program. Gish is a transit-oriented development consisting of 35 family apartment units – 9 efficiencies, 14 two-bedrooms, and 12 three bedrooms; a 3,775 square foot 7-Eleven and a small retail store on the ground floor. There is associated parking on the ground floor and below grade. It was built on a .41 acre infill site that was a former Brownfield and is located along First Street corridor and a light rail station in San Jose. The units are leased to low-income tenants with income levels ranging from 30 to 50 percent of the area's median income.

— Feature your project on our website or newsletter. Send pictures, in any stage of construction, and short write-up to LEED@davisenergy.com.

Orientations — "LEED for Homes Launched!" presented by PG&E

Ann Edminister will present her terrific presentation on March 5 in Auburn and March 21 in San Jose. Attendance at this presentation will fulfill your Builder Orientation requirement. To register, go to PG&E's website at http://www.pge.com/education_training/classes/energy_efficiency/index.jsp. You must register through PG&E.

Additional trainings will be scheduled in Southern California at a later date.

LEED for Homes News

Rating System. The California version of the LEED for Homes Rating System and Checklist was released in February 2008. Please visit our website at www.davisenergy.com to download either the manual or checklist. For other states the manual and checklist are available at <http://www.usgbc.org/DisplayPage.aspx?CMSPageID=147>.

New Reference Guide. The LEED for Homes Reference Guide is more than 350 pages of advice and information on using the LEED for Homes Green Building Rating System for your residential project. For each credit, the LEED Reference Guide provides information on Overview and points per credit; Documentation requirements; Summary of reference standard (where applicable); Importance and benefits of compliance; Recommended design strategies and technologies; Potential design synergies and trade-offs; Calculation methods and formulas; and Resources and definitions. Publication is in April and cost is \$100 for USGBC Members and \$125 for non-members. Preorder at <http://www.usgbc.org/Store/PublicationsList.aspx?CMSPageID=1518>.

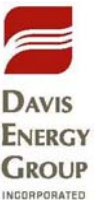


USGBC National has launched a new website dedicated solely to LEED for Homes. Visit www.greenhomeguide.org for information on LEED, incentives, project descriptions, real estate sales, your local USGBC Chapter and more! You can also find more information on ReGreen aimed at the remodeling market.

GPR Training Dates. Build It Green will be holding GreenPoint Rater and Certified Green Building Professional trainings on the following dates: June 9 to 14 in Irwindale, July 28 to August 2 in San Diego and September 29 to October 4 in Sacramento. Visit www.builditgreen.org for details, costs and registration.

About Davis Energy Group

Davis Energy Group: In addition to being LEED for Homes Provider for California and Nevada, DEG offers Building America, grEEN® consulting, grEEN® ratings, HVAC design, consulting, Title 24 modeling and compliance documents, product development, energy analysis, performance monitoring, and commissioning. For more in-depth information, visit our website at www.davisenergy.com.



DEG Awarded Building America Contract Renewal. In 2002 DEG initiated a contract with the Department of Energy to help builders design homes that approach zero net energy use. A year later this program was merged with Building America, and DEG joined the Consortium for Advanced Residential Buildings (CARB), led by Steven Winter Associates of Norwalk, Conn. Last December the DOE announced that CARB's contract would be renewed for another five years. DEG is seeking production builders who would like to distinguish themselves by becoming Building America partners. Contact David Springer at (530) 753-1100, ext. 26 for more information.



advanced energy products

Advanced Energy Products Corp. is Davis Energy Group's sister company. AEP is commercializing, marketing and selling low energy cooling and heating products developed by DEG for both the residential and commercial markets. AEP's first offering is NightBreeze, which

integrates automatic, optimal outdoor air ventilation with a residential cooling and heating system, cutting cooling energy use up to 60%. Two versions are available: NightBreeze-Hydronic and NightBreeze-GasFurnace.

For more information on AEP and NightBreeze contact Jerry Best at (530) 753-1100, ext. 20.

