

Resources

There are many organizations, both locally and nationally, that are working on green building and design. Listed below are some helpful websites, books, magazines, and articles that provide additional information on a number of topics related to the “Green by Design” conference. More resources can also be found at: www.mngreencommunities.org.

Websites: Good Building Practices

Green Communities (national program)	www.greencommunitiesonline.org
2009 Minnesota Overlay to the Green Communities Criteria	www.mngreencommunities.org/publications/index.htm
Architecture 2030 Challenge	www.architecture2030.org
Building Science Corporation	www.buildingscience.com
Canada Mortgage & Housing Corp	www.cmhc-schl.gc.ca/en/
Center for Sustainable Building Research	www.csbr.umn.edu
Energy and Environmental Building Association	www.eeba.org
Environmental Building News/Building Green	www.buildinggreen.com
Global Green	www.globalgreen.org
Green Building Advisor	www.Greenbuildingadvisor.com
LISC (see experts online)	www.lisc.org
Minnesota Department of Commerce	www.commerce.state.mn.us
Minnesota Energy Codes	www.energycodes.gov/implement/state_codes/index.stm
Minnesota GreenStar	www.mngreenstar.org
National Association of Home Builders Research Center	www.nahbrc.org
New Ecology, Inc. (reports)	www.newecology.org/research-publications
Passive House Institute (PHIUS)	www.passivehouse.us
Southface Energy Institute	www.southface.org
U.S. DOE Energy Star Information	www.energystar.gov
USGBC—national and local chapter	www.usgbc.org and www.chapters.usgbc.org/usgbcmn

Websites: Sustainable Practices and More

Active Living by Design	www.activelivingbydesign.org
Affordable Housing Design Advisor	www.designadvisor.org
BioHaus	www.waldseebiohaus.typepad.com
BioRegional (solutions for sustainability)	www.bioregional.com
Build It Green	www.builditgreen.org
Community Office for Resource Efficiency	www.aspencore.org
Conservation Technologies (Duluth)	www.conservtech.com
The Efficient Windows Collaborative	www.efficientwindows.org
Energy Bulletin	www.energybulletin.net
Fresh Energy	www.fresh-energy.org
Green Affordable Housing Coalition	www.frontierassoc.net/greenaffordablehousing/index.shtml
Minnesota Affordable Green Housing Guide	www.greenhousing.umn.edu/index.html
Transit Station Communities Project	www.psrc.org/projects/tod/index.htm

Websites: Sustainable Historic Renovations

National Park Service Illustrated Guide to Renovating Historic Buildings	www.cr.nps.gov/hps/tps/tax/rhb/index.htm
National Park Service Information on Achieving Energy-Efficiency in Historic Buildings	www.cr.nps.gov/hps/tps/tax/rhb/energy01.htm

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Websites: Healthy Housing

Alliance for Healthy Homes	www.afhh.org
American Lung Association Health House	www.healthhouse.org
Asthma and Allergy Foundation of America	www.aafa.org
Environmental Health Watch	www.ehw.org
EPA Indoor Air Quality	www.epa.gov/iaq
EPA Radon Resources	www.epa.gov/radon
National Center for Healthy Housing	www.centerforhealthyhousing.org
Minnesota Department of Health (radon, indoor air quality)	www.health.state.mn.us/divs/eh/air/index.htm

Websites: Materials and Supplier Information

Carpet and Rug Institute (Green Label certified floor coverings)	www.carpet-rug.org
Environmental Building News/Building Green	www.buildinggreen.com
Green Seal (certified paints and other products)	www.greenseal.org
Natural Built Home (Minneapolis)	www.naturalbuilthome.com

Websites: Stormwater Management

Applied Ecological Services, Inc. (an article on alternative stormwater management)	www.appliedeco.com/NLD.cfm www.appliedeco.com/Projects/EcologicalSystemsAlternativeStormw.pdf
Center for Watershed Protection	www.cwp.org
Low Impact Development	www.lowimpactdevelopment.org
GREEN Roofs for Healthy Cities	www.greenroofs.org
Minnesota Green Roofs Council	www.mngreenroofs.org
Minnesota Erosion Control Association (sediment control)	www.mnerosion.org
University of Wisconsin Extension (stormwater, raingardens)	www.clean-water.uwex.edu/pubs/index.htm

Design and Building Construction

<i>Building Radon Out: A Step-by-Step Guide On How to Build Radon-Resistant Homes</i>	www.epa.gov/radon/pdfs/buildradonout.pdf
<i>Deep Energy Reduction Retrofit</i> (Affordable Comfort, Inc.)	www.affordablecomfort.org/initiatives.php?PageID=16
<i>How Buildings Learn</i> by Stewart Brand	
<i>Insulate and Weatherize</i> by Bruce Harley	
<i>Tap the Sun</i> published by Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation (CMHC)	

Books: Global Environment and Our Health

<i>Cradle to Cradle</i> by William McDonough	www.mcdonough.com/cradle_to_cradle.htm
<i>Our Stolen Future</i> by Theo Colborn et al	www.ourstolenfuture.org
<i>Urban Sprawl and Public Health</i> by Howard Frumkin, Lawrence Frank, Richard Joseph Jackson	

Magazines/Journals

<i>Fine Homebuilding</i> Good design and building practices
<i>Home Energy</i> Not always "current" but covers the entire U.S. and sometimes further
<i>Home Power</i> (www.homepower.com) Good information about renewables
<i>Energy Design Update</i> Aspen Publishers—sound current research, fairly in-depth
<i>Environmental Building News</i> Paper and online resource—good for materials
<i>Journal of Light Construction</i> Good building practices

Technical Assistance

Center for Energy and Environment (www.mncee.org)	Russ Landry, rlandry@mncee.org , 612-335-5863
Greater Minnesota Housing Fund (www.gmhf.com)	John Harrington, jharrington@gmhf.com , 651-221-1997x115
Neighborhood Energy Connection (www.thenec.org)	Mary Morse, marym@thenec.org , 651-221-4462 x113
Verified Green (www.verifiedgreen.org)	Michael Anschel, michael@otogawa-anschel.com , 612-789-7070
Wagner-Zaun (www.wagnerzaun.com)	Rachel Wagner, rwagner@wagnerzaun.com , 218-733-0690

Websites: Learn What You Can Do

Earthsmart Consumer	www.earthsmartconsumer.com
NextStep	www.nextstep.state.mn.us
Living Green Expo	www.livinggreen.org
treehugger	www.treehugger.com
Minnesota Energy Challenge	www.mnenergychallenge.org

