2020 Criteria: A Holistic Approach

1. Integrative design
2. Location + Neighborhood Fabric
3. Site Improvements
4. Water
5. Operating Energy
6. Materials
7. Healthy Living Environment
8. Operations, Maintenance, + Residential Engagement

Many Pathways = Tailor-Made Impact for Residents

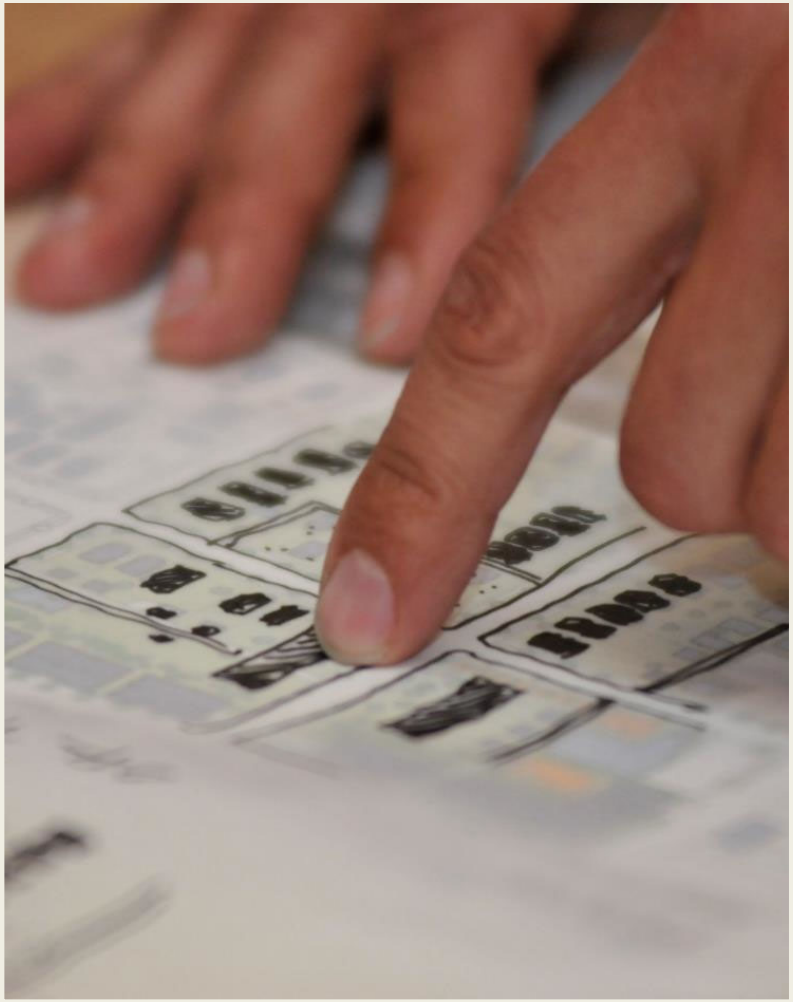
Mandatory + Optional Criterion

Example: Category 4: Water

4.1 Water-Conserving Fixtures *Mandatory*
4.2 Advanced Water Conservation
4.3 Water Quality *Mandatory for certain project types*
4.4 Monitoring Water Consumption & Leaks
4.5 Efficient Plumbing Layout & Design
4.6 Non-potable Water Reuse
4.7 Access to Potable Water during Emergencies

1. Integrative Design

A successful integrative design process engages people, identifies collective priorities, and ensures that sustainability, health, resilience, and placemaking objectives are met.

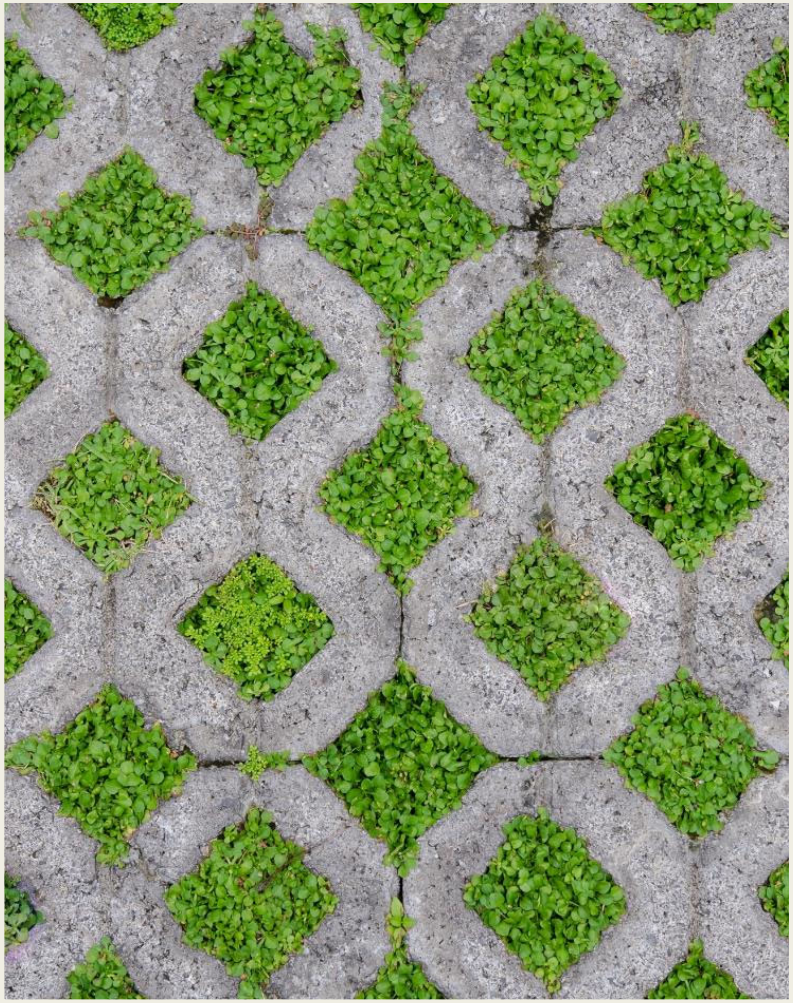


2. Location + Neighborhood Fabric

Locating the project in a neighborhood with existing infrastructure, transportation and services enhances livability, leads to more resource-efficient development of land, saves energy, and increases the vitality of the community.

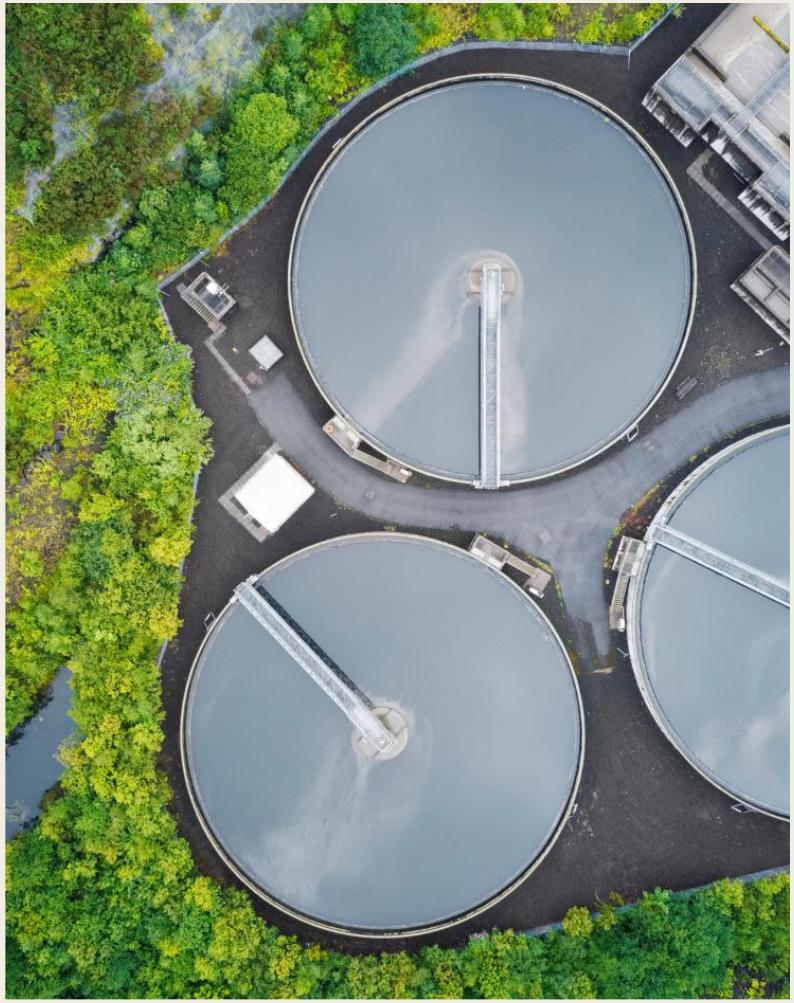
3. Site Improvements

Low-impact development principles minimize the site's environmental footprint, protect sensitive ecosystems, and reduce infrastructure costs associated with stormwater management.



4. Water

Water quality and conservation practices impact our health and well-being, property operating expenses, and a limited precious resource.



5. Operating Energy

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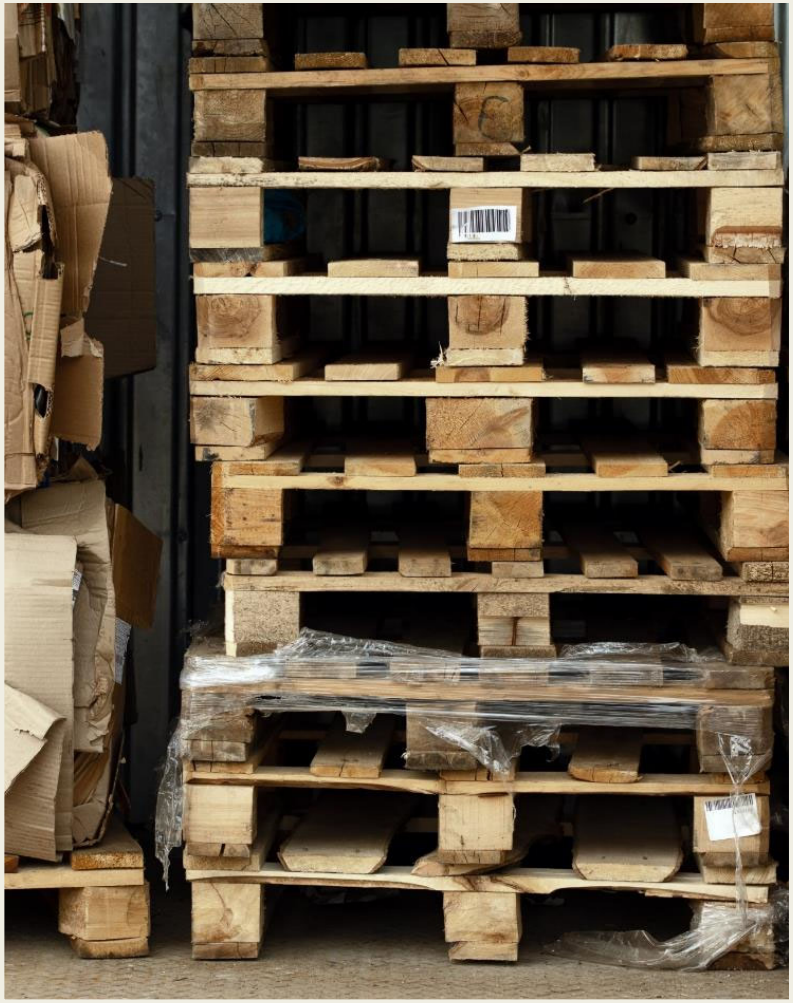


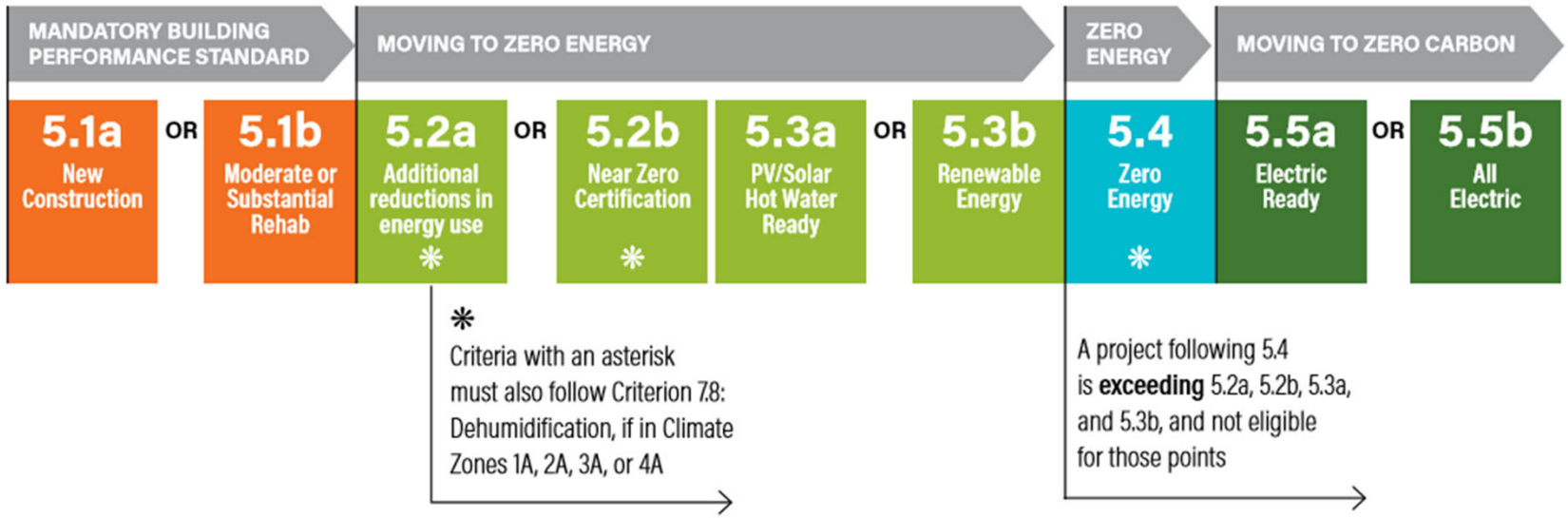
7. Healthy Living Environment

Design, construction, and operations strategies may contribute to a healthier environment by reducing exposure to toxins, managing the indoor environment, and promoting health through design.

8. Operations, Maintenance + Resident Engagement

Educational materials and orientations help educate residents and staff on features that were designed to deliver health, economic, and environmental benefits, as well as their role in realizing those benefits in their own lives.

Certification PLUS + Path to Zero



Advanced Performance Updates

Criterion 5.2b Near Zero Certification

For rehabilitation projects pursuing Green Communities Certification Plus. This pathway is designed to recognize significant improvement in building performance of existing buildings, including tailored requirements for tenant-in-place rehabs.

Criterion 5.4 Certification Plus: Achieving Zero Energy

For rehabilitation projects pursuing Green Communities Certification Plus and zero energy. This pathway is designed to articulate zero energy performance in compliance with DOE's National Zero Emissions definition.

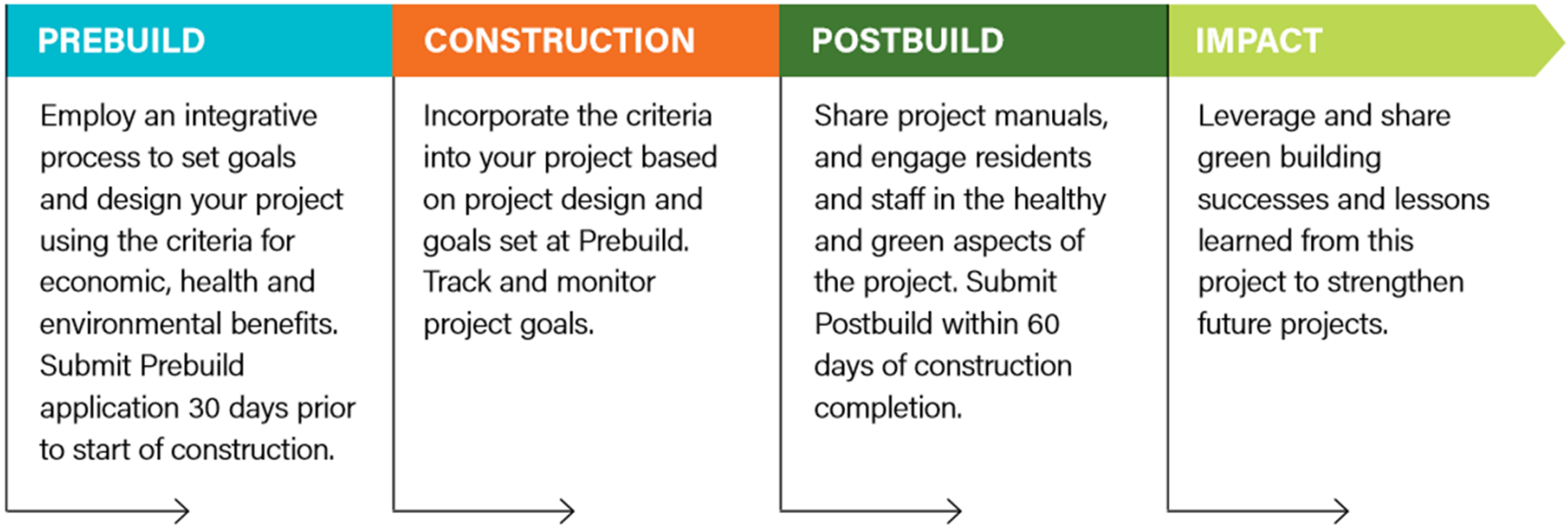
Certification Plus: Zero Emissions

A new level of Certification, Green Communities Certification Plus Zero Emissions recognizes developments that are designed and built to the highest level of certification and eliminate combustion on site. This certification designation aligns with DOE's National Zero Emissions definition.

Zero-Over-Time

A Zero-Over-Time compliance pathway suitable for developers pursuing GGRF is currently under development.

Certification Process



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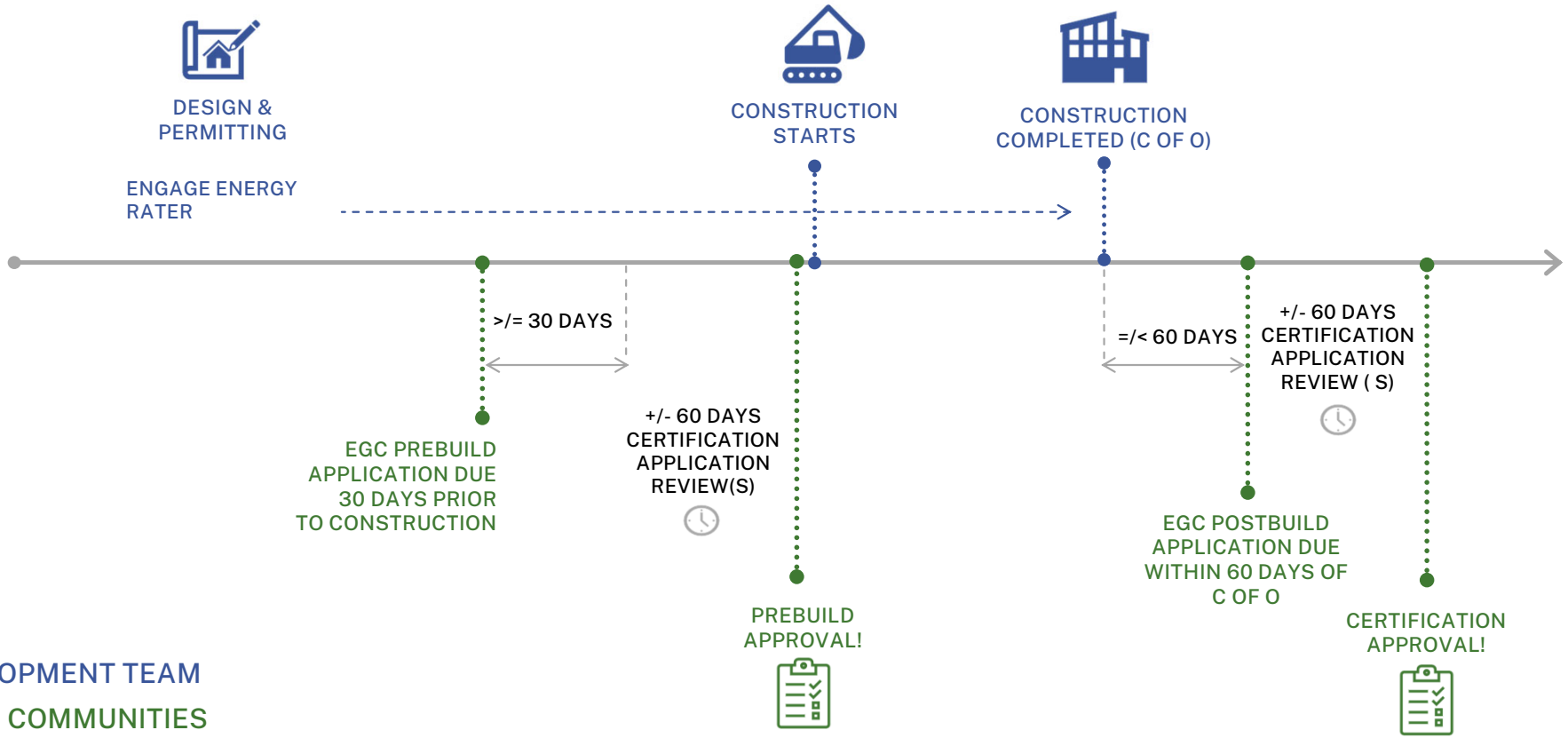

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Resources & Tools

- Green Communities **Application Portal**
- Green Communities **Website**
  - Certification Documentation **Instructions**
  - **Templates** for Submissions
  - **FAQs** + Certification Tips
  - Monthly **Office Hours**
- Green Communities **Email:**

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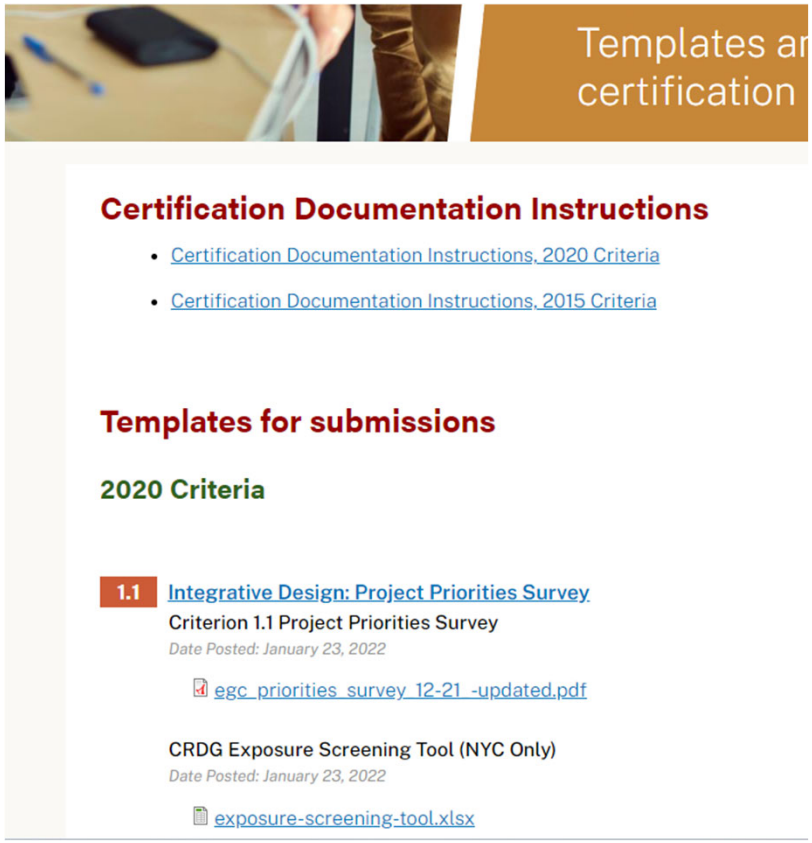

CASE STUDIES
GREEN AND AFFORDABLE TOD DEVELOPMENTS

Metro Green Apartments

Stamford, Connecticut

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Via Verde

Bronx, New York

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Evans Station Lofts

Denver, Colorado

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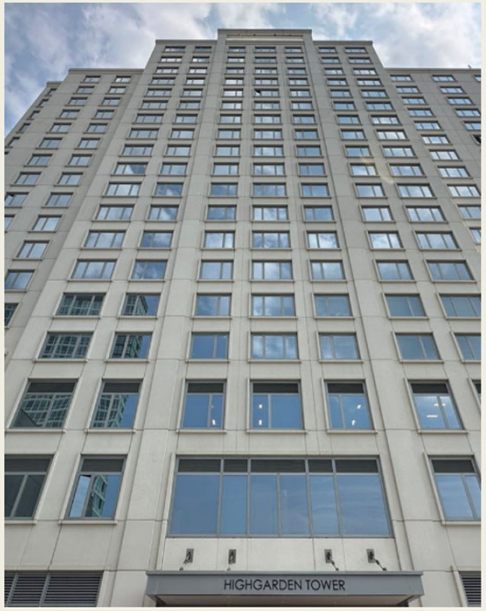
Highgarden Tower

New Rochelle, New York



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Lenox Green

Taunton, Connecticut

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M Station Apartments

Austin, Texas

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Clark-Estes Apartments

Chicago, Illinois

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