

## FSEC Holds Course for Becoming Florida Green Certifying Agent

A Florida Green Building Coalition accredited certifying agent can evaluate a single-family home based on the Florida Green Home Designation Standard criteria



The next Certifying Agent Designation Class is Oct. 23-24, 2018 at the Florida Solar Energy Center, 1679 Clearlake Road, Cocoa, Fla.

Individuals completing the two-day training and associated exams may become an accredited FGBC Certifying Agent provided they meet the eligibility requirements.

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## City of Coral Springs Earns FGBC Gold

The City of Coral Springs is proud to announce it has earned gold-level certification under the Florida Green Building Coalition's Florida Green Local Government designation program.

While the City previously earned silver-level certification in 2012, the designation was due for recertification last year.

Senior Planner, Christina Fermin, from the Development Services Division was tasked with coordinating recertification - her passion

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### Welcome New Members

**Jenny Basantes**  
Student  
Fort Myers

**Chris Campbell**  
Chris Campbell Builder LLC  
Plant City

**Keith Tate**  
[Polk County BOCC](#)  
Bartow

**Lindsey Nieratka**  
[City of Boca Raton](#)  
Boca Raton

**Megan Houston**

for sustainability and previous experience in green planning made her an obvious choice to earn the City its new gold-standard.

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## Osceola County Awarded FGBC Florida Green Government Certification

Osceola County keeps mining Silver by participating in a rigorous Green Government program that rewards improved environmental performance.

The County was re-certified by the Florida Green Building Coalition at the Board of County Commissioners meeting on Aug. 6, 2018.

The County was certified again at the Silver level. It received the original award in 2012 - and is one of only 14 in the state of Florida that is currently certified.

"It's an honor to be a leader in this very worthwhile program," said Commissioner Vice Chairwoman Cheryl Grieb. "Achieving this certification can lead to a streamlining of operating costs, better departmental communication and cooperation, as well as a wealth of environmental benefits, including a measurable reduction in CO2."

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**Education Opportunities**

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**Calendar of Events**

Sept. 29-Oct. 2  
American Rainwater Catchment Systems Association (ARCSA) Annual Conference and Expo



## FGBC Sponsoring South Florida Climate Leadership Summit for Second Year

Miami-Dade County will host the 10th Annual Southeast Florida Regional Climate Leadership Summit on Oct. 24-25, 2018, at the Miami Beach Convention Center. The Florida Green Building Coalition is a sponsor of the event for the second year.

The Summit will feature keynotes and panels with local, state, and federal government officials, business and nonprofit leaders, and other experts discussing plans to ensure the region not only survives, but thrives, in the face of sea level rise and other climate impacts. Learn more about the Climate Leadership Summit.

The Southeast Florida Regional Climate Change Compact was formalized following the 2009 Southeast Florida Climate Leadership Summit, when elected officials came together to discuss challenges and strategies for responding to the impacts of climate change.

The Compact outlines an ongoing collaborative effort among the Compact Counties to foster sustainability and climate resilience at a regional scale.

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## Congratulations to New Board Members

After recent elections, the following Florida Green Building Coalition members have been elected to the board and will begin serving their terms in 2019.

### At Large

Randy Conn, ES Green & Company LLC, Tallahassee  
 Ralph Locke, Environmental Construction & Consulting, Inc, Deland

### Design & Analysis Category

Lisa Percy, 15 Lightyears, Longwood

### Development & Construction Category

Arturo Griego, itecdesign, Opa Locka

### Governmental

### Sept. 29-Oct. 2 American Rainwater Catchment Systems Association (ARCSA) Annual Conference and Expo

World Congress Center  
 Atlanta, GA

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### Oct. 3-6, 2018 FHBA Fall Leadership Conference

Hyatt Regency Coconut Point  
 Resort and Spa  
 Bonita Springs, FL

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### Oct. 8-11, 2018 ULI Fall Meeting

Boston Convention and  
 Exhibition Center  
 Boston, MA

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### Oct. 24-25 10th Annual Southeast Florida Regional Climate Leadership Summit

Miami Beach Convention  
 Center  
 Miami Beach, FL

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### Nov. 7-8 2018 National Disaster Resilience Conference

Wyndham Grand  
 Clearwater Beach, FL

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### Feb. 19-21, 2019 The NAHB International Builders' Show® (IBS)

Las Vegas Convention Center  
 Las Vegas, NV

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### Feb. 25-27, 2019 RESNET Building Performance Conference

Sheraton New Orleans Hotel  
 New Orleans, LA

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## Certification News

### Homes

Registered: 17,963  
 Certified: 17,802

Diana Robinson, Manatee County Government, Bradenton  
Katrina Locke, Volusia County, Deland

#### **Products**

Barry Faske, Faske Enterprises, Inc, Hollywood

#### **Public Advocate**

Mike Rogers, Southern Advocacy Group, Tallahassee  
Bill Kachman, Deland

#### **Real Estate, Finance & Property Services Category**

Peggy Christ, Bee Green Realty LLC, Bradenton  
Kristin Triolo, RE/MAX Platinum Realty, Sarasota

## **Builders Prepare for HERS Amendment Putting Smaller Homes on Even Ground**



The green building sector is getting ready for the Jan. 1, 2019 deadline for all HERS raters to use an amendment that puts smaller homes on a level playing field.

As was previously reported, RESNET's index adjustment factor was developed because larger homes were found to have 20 percent better (lower) HERS scores for the same energy measure.

As the floor area or number of home stories increased, the index went down because of a mathematical quirk in the way the formula was written.

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## **FGBC Participating in 2019 RESNET Performance Building Energy Conference**

The 2019 RESNET Building Performance Conference is the premier national forum on home energy ratings, existing home retrofits, building codes and energy policy.

The RESNET Building Performance Conference offers strategic options to the business challenges and provides a venue where you can obtain usable solutions in an evolving industry.



The conference offers an exceptional range of original content and fresh information for the home performance industry. For the second year, the Florida Green Building Coalition will be at the conference with a booth. This year FGBC will offer a

**Commercial**  
Registered: 66  
Certified: 20

**High Rise**  
Registered: 72  
Certified: 34

**Land Developments**  
Registered: 63  
Certified: 14

**Local Government**  
Registered: 96  
Certified: 77

#### **Recent Certifications**

Miami  
**Karis Village**  
High-Rise  
Bronze

Miami  
**Brickell Heights 1 & 2**  
High-Rise  
Gold

Bradenton  
**Grand Palms / Bradenton Senior Village**  
High-Rise  
Platinum

Coral Spring  
**City of Coral Springs**  
Local Government  
Gold

Dunedin  
**Artisan Mix Use**  
High-Rise  
Platinum

Punta Gorda  
**Babcock Ranch**  
Land Development  
Platinum

City of Deland  
**Local Government**  
Gold

#### **Recent Registrations**

Miami  
**2200 Wnywood**  
Commercial

Doral  
**Atrium**  
Commercial

Doral  
**Sanctuary at Doral Retail Bldg 1**  
Commercial

Doral  
**Sanctuary at Doral Retail Bldg 1**

presentation on *Marketing Strategies for Energy Raters and Auditors*.

The 2019 RESNET Building Performance Conference will take place on Feb. 25 -27 in New Orleans, La.

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## Green Building Materials Market Demand Expected to Grow in 2019



Green building technology is used to develop environmentally responsible and efficient building structure. To develop such structures; construction materials play a vital role and these are

known as green building materials.

Green building materials are responsible for sustainability and efficiency of a green building from design to demolition. These materials are also produced or selected as they consume less energy. Demand for green building materials have seen significant growth in recent years.

Advanced materials such as cellulose, cotton, fiberglass and mineral wool are in great demand in the construction industry for insulation purpose. These materials are also eco-friendly and less toxic.

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## Florida Green Building Coalition Colors Orlando Conference 'Florida Green'

The Florida Green Building Coalition partnered with the Southeast Building Conference (SEBC) for the annual regional

Commercial

Miami  
**Century Parc Place**  
Commercial

Titusville  
**City of Titusville**  
Local Government

### FGBC Committee Meetings

2nd Wednesday  
Monthly  
3 p.m.

**Commercial**  
1st Tuesday  
Monthly  
2 p.m.

**Education**  
1st Thursday  
Monthly  
3 p.m.

**High-Rise**  
3rd Tuesday  
Monthly  
11 a.m.

**Homes**  
2nd Tuesday  
Monthly  
2 p.m.

**Land Development**  
4th Wednesday  
Bi-Monthly  
2 p.m.

**Local Government**  
3rd Thursday  
Monthly  
10:30 a.m.

**Programs & Promotions**  
3rd Tuesday  
Monthly  
3 p.m.

### Funding Opportunities

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[Southwest Florida WMD Water Programs](#)

### Job Opportunities

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trade show and expo in Orlando.

Thanks to the Florida Solar Energy Center and Seacoast Bank for sponsoring the Thursday night reception and to all the exhibitors in the FGBC "Florida Green" section.

Delta Electronics America, Gator Mat Underlayment, Mitsubishi Electric Cooling & Heating, Norbord, Ind., Owens Corning, Retrotec, Seacoast Bank, Florida Department of Health, Florida Green Building Coalition Florida Nursery Growers and Landscape Association, and Florida Solar Energy Center.

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## Going Green? In Florida You Have a Choice

**ORLANDO, Fla.** - With over 18,000 certifications since 2000, the Florida Green Building Coalition (FGBC) is by far the largest certifier of green homes, communities, hi-rise residences and local governments in Florida.

Florida Green are the only national or international green standards developed with Florida-specific criteria. They address Florida's hot-humid climate, environment, topography and natural disasters.



We need your help to lead and promote a state of sustainability with environmental, economic, and social benefits through regional education, information, grassroots outreach and certification programs.

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### Save the Date

Nov. 5th in Tampa - Sustainable Florida Forum

Back by popular demand - the second Sustainable Florida Forum will be held in Tampa on Monday, Nov. 5, 2018.

Join fellow Sustainability professionals for a day full of learning, networking, and professional development opportunities.

This one-day event is designed exclusively for sustainability professionals.

The day's activities will include a panel discussion on promoting sustainability, as well as the popular MasterMind small working group sessions

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