



Since 2008, Habitat LA has built over 50 homes that meet Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) standards, with 41 achieving silver certification or higher. We are committed to constructing all new homes to LEED standards to ensure energy efficiency and affordability for our partner homeowners.

## Our Green Building Practices Include:

- **Active solar technology**
- **Energy-efficient design, lighting, heating, cooling systems, and Energy Star® appliances**
- **Low-emission finishes, such as paints and varnishes with low VOC (Volatile Organic Compounds)**
- **Native drought-tolerant landscaping**
- **Recyclable building materials, including recycled carpets, green siding, and thermal pane windows and doors**
- **Recycled blown-in insulation and Dow foam insulation**
- **Solar-assisted heated hot water**
- **Styrofoam insulated panels**
- **Water-efficient toilets and showerheads**
- **Water filtration systems to minimize storm runoff pollution**

Together, we  
build sustainable,  
affordable homes  
and foster lasting  
relationships to  
improve lives now  
and in the future.

We partner with recognized leaders in green building to create sustainable communities that enhance the quality of life for our partner families and individuals. Our Green Building Partners include Building America, Department of Energy, Dow Chemical, Global Green USA, Grid Alternatives, The Home Depot, IBEW, LEED Certification specialists, U.S. Green Building Council, and Whirlpool.

## Our ReStores: Reducing Carbon Footprint

Our ReStores exemplify our green building practices by reducing our carbon footprint. We collaborate with deconstruction companies, contractors, homeowners, stores, and others to collect reusable building materials, furniture, home décor, electronics, and appliances. These items are sold to the public at a fraction of the retail cost, diverting millions of pounds of waste from landfills and raising funds to support our mission.

