

Building and Furnishing With Recycled Products

Today, more and more consumers are demanding environmentally responsible products, including the materials used to build and furnish their homes and businesses. The use of recycled building products and furnishings in construction and renovation is an integral part of this "green" building movement.

Recycled building products and furnishings are...

- High quality
- Readily available
- Affordable
- Diverse

Did you know...

- Recycled products meet the highest quality standards. Increased demand and major changes in technology have resulted in improved products that are comparable in quality to products made with virgin materials.
- Recycled products are available in major retail stores, building supply centers, hardware stores, garden centers, through catalogs and online.
- Recycled products often cost less than products made with virgin materials! Consider life cycle costs for higher priced items.
- There are thousands of different types of recycled products on the market!

Recycled products come in many shapes, sizes and forms, including:

- Ceiling panels
- Concrete blocks
- Carpeting
- Ceramic tile
- Paint
- Fiberboard
- Asphalt pavement
- Mulch
- Wallboard
- Insulation
- Rubber flooring
- Plastic lumber
- Steel studs and framing
- Furniture
- Roof shingles



Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design ("LEED™) Rating System:

The use of recycled content products is included as a recommended building practice in the U.S. Green Building Council's Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design ("LEED™) Rating System and can fulfill credit requirements needed for LEED™ certification.

Buying recycled....

- Conserves natural resources and energy.
- Creates jobs and economic development opportunities.
- Enhances your company's image.
- Increases your competitive edge.
- Motivates your employees.
- Encourages manufacturers to use recycled materials.
- Strengthens markets for recyclables
- Can save money.

When considering building and furnishing products, remember to "Buy Recycled!"

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