

LISC & Build It Green A New Team for Green Affordable Housing

Bay Area LISC announces a new, formal partnership with Build It Green (BIG) to promote quality "green" affordable housing in the region. Through the partnership, LISC and BIG will provide tools to help affordable housing developers go green on new and existing developments. The partnership is an excellent way to leverage the strengths of the two organizations to further sustainable building practices. BIG is a nonprofit organization dedicated to green building and has a broad reach into the construction and real estate development sector. Bay Area LISC has extensive relationships in the affordable housing field and is the pre-eminent support organization in the region providing affordable housing developers with the technical and financial resources they need to be effective. BIG and LISC's efforts will be carried out through a joint project called the "**Green Affordable Housing Coalition.**"



First Community Housing's Betty Ann Gardens

Our "green supply chain" will include referrals to green manufacturers, designers, remodelers, engineers, public agencies and contractors. A GREENbase database will include actual green development cost data for every phase of development. In addition, the LISC-BIG partnership will create a green maintenance manual and toolkit. For new projects, BIG and LISC will use our assessment tools to determine "green" capital needs and performance specifications and assist those projects in identifying the appropriate green design and engineering professionals to get the job done right.



Thank you Home Depot Foundation!

Every time an affordable housing unit is created, it will be an opportunity for housing developers and property managers to access these resources to build healthy, green, neighborhoods. Bay Area LISC's partnership with BIG is part of our new "**GreenLink**" program to build green neighborhoods.

Bay Area LISC's participation in this program is made possible by the generous support of the Home Depot Foundation. To learn more about our program or touch base with our **Bay Area LISC GreenLink** team, contact Clare Bressani-Tanko at 415-397-7322 extension 28 or email her at ctanko@lisc.org.

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