



**Richmond City Sheriff's Office**  
Sheriff C. T. Woody, Jr.



## **PRESS RELEASE**

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### **RICHMOND CITY JUSTICE CENTER AWARDED PRESTIGIOUS LEED® GREEN BUILDING CERTIFICATION**

**RICHMOND, VA**—Sheriff C.T. Woody, Jr. announced today that the Richmond City Justice Center (RCJC) has been awarded LEED® GOLD certification. The LEED rating system, developed by the [U.S. Green Building Council \(USGBC\)](#), is the foremost program for buildings, homes and communities that are designed, constructed, maintained and operated for improved environmental and human health performance.



USGBC developed the LEED certification process to enhance environmental awareness among architects and building contractors, and to encourage the design and construction of energy-efficient, water-conserving buildings that use sustainable or green resources and materials.

The LEED certification process uses a point system to determine the environmental merits of a building; there are different rating systems for homes, commercial buildings, interior renovations, schools, [neighborhood developments](#), and other construction projects.

For most projects, there are four levels of [LEED certification](#), depending on how many points the project has earned: certified, silver, gold or platinum.

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The RCJC achieved LEED certification for implementing practical and measurable strategies and solutions aimed at achieving high performance in: sustainable site development, water savings, energy efficiency, materials selection and indoor environmental quality.

LEED is the foremost program for the design, construction and operation of green buildings. The significance of GOLD certification for the RCJC is that the City of Richmond mandated that the facility be built to LEED Silver standards. During the construction process, the joint venture of Tompkins/Ballard/Davis along with HOK Architects found ways to meet additional standards, thereby allowing this higher lever of certification to be realized. Out of 85,394 projects submitted to the USGBC for LEED certification, 15 were jails, and only 2 received LEED GOLD certification.

1000025718, Richmond, VA

## Richmond City Jail

**LEED BD+C: New Construction (v2009)** GOLD, AWARDED APR 2015

SUSTAINABLE SITES		AWARDED: 19 / 26	
SSc1	Site selection	1/1	
SSc2	Development density and community connectivity	5/5	
SSc3	Brownfield redevelopment	1/1	
SSc4.1	Alternative transportation - public transportation access	6/6	
SSc4.2	Alternative transportation - bicycle storage and changing rooms	1/1	
SSc4.3	Alternative transportation - low-emitting and fuel-efficient vehicles	3/3	
SSc4.4	Alternative transportation - parking capacity	0/2	
SSc5.1	Site development - protect or restore habitat	1/1	
SSc5.2	Site development - maximize open space	1/1	
SSc6.1	Stormwater design - quantity control	0/1	
SSc6.2	Stormwater design - quality control	0/1	
SSc7.1	Heat island effect - nonroof	0/1	
SSc7.2	Heat island effect - roof	0/1	
SSc8	Light pollution reduction	0/1	

  

WATER EFFICIENCY		AWARDED: 8 / 10	
WEc1	Water efficient landscaping	4/4	
WEc2	Innovative wastewater technologies	0/2	
WEc3	Water use reduction	4/4	

  

ENERGY & ATMOSPHERE		AWARDED: 18 / 35	
EAc1	Optimize energy performance	14/19	
EAc2	On-site renewable energy	0/7	
EAc3	Enhanced commissioning	2/2	
EAc4	Enhanced refrigerant Mgmt	2/2	
EAc5	Measurement and verification	0/3	
EAc6	Green power	0/2	

  

MATERIAL & RESOURCES		AWARDED: 5 / 14	
MRC1.1	Building reuse - maintain existing walls, floors and roof	0/3	
MRC1.2	Building reuse - maintain interior nonstructural elements	0/1	
MRC2	Construction waste Mgmt	2/2	
MRC3	Materials reuse	0/2	
MRC4	Recycled content	1/2	
MRC5	Regional materials	2/2	

  

MATERIAL & RESOURCES		CONTINUED	
MRC6	Rapidly renewable materials	0/1	
MRC7	Certified wood	0/1	

  

INDOOR ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY		AWARDED: 7 / 15	
EQc1	Outdoor air delivery monitoring	0/1	
EQc2	Increased ventilation	0/1	
EQc3.1	Construction IAQ Mgmt plan - during construction	1/1	
EQc3.2	Construction IAQ Mgmt plan - before occupancy	1/1	
EQc4.1	Low-emitting materials - adhesives and sealants	1/1	
EQc4.2	Low-emitting materials - paints and coatings	1/1	
EQc4.3	Low-emitting materials - flooring systems	1/1	
EQc4.4	Low-emitting materials - composite wood and agrifiber products	1/1	
EQc5	Indoor chemical and pollutant source control	1/1	
EQc6.1	Controllability of systems - lighting	0/1	
EQc6.2	Controllability of systems - thermal comfort	0/1	
EQc7.1	Thermal comfort - design	0/1	
EQc7.2	Thermal comfort - verification	0/1	
EQc8.1	Daylight and views - daylight	0/1	
EQc8.2	Daylight and views - views	0/1	

  

INNOVATION		AWARDED: 3 / 6	
IDc1	Innovation in design	2/5	
IDc2	LEED Accredited Professional	1/1	

  

REGIONAL PRIORITY		AWARDED: 2 / 4	
MRC2	Construction waste Mgmt	1/1	
WEc3	Water use reduction	1/1	

  

INTEGRATIVE PROCESS CREDITS		AWARDED: 0 / 3	
IPpc100	Passive Survivability and Functionality During Emergencies	REQUIRED	
IPpc98	Assessment and Planning for Resilience	REQUIRED	
IPpc99	Design for Enhanced Resilience	REQUIRED	

  

TOTAL		62 / 110	
40-49 Points	50-59 Points	60-79 Points	80+ Points
CERTIFIED	SILVER	GOLD	PLATINUM

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