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LEED for Homes Teams Up with Home Depot, Creates Database of Points-Generating Products for Green House Plans

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Exciting news from both the USGBC and Home Depot! They've recently announced a [LEED for Homes – Home Depot Database Initiative](#), which is an online green home products database that will make completing your [green house plans](#) much simpler. The microsite, which is part of the larger Home Depot site, features over

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2,500 products (at time of this writing) that contribute to earning LEED points and prerequisites for the LEED for Homes program.

LEED Home Depot initiative



Using the database wheel feature on the site, you can flip through various product categories to see what options are available through Home Depot, which will also give you a guide to how many eligible points are available with that product. Product categories include the following:

- Prerequisites
- Adhesives and sealants
- Appliances
- Cabinets
- Countertops
- Decking and patio

- Doors
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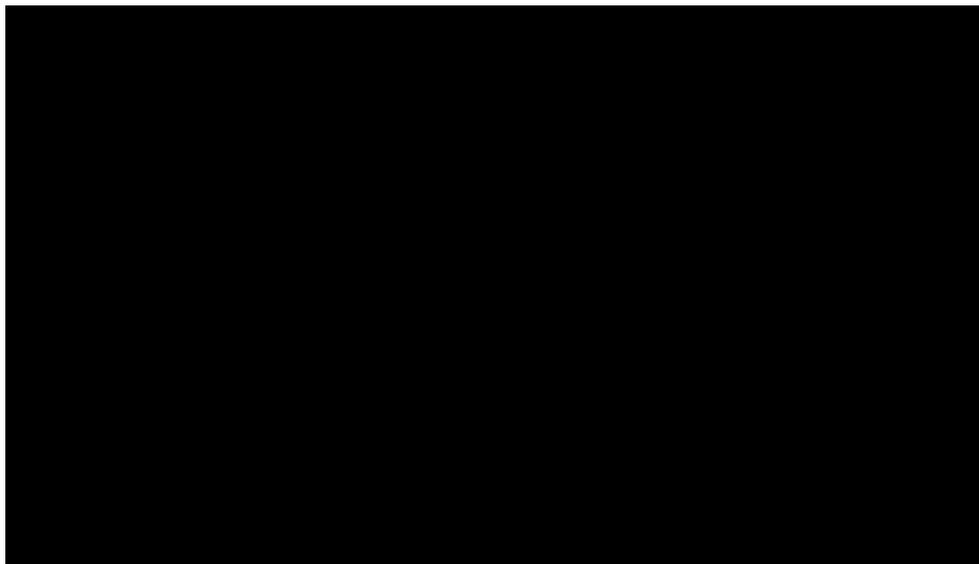
The hope is that this database will make it possible for homeowners to achieve the benefits of green home building – lower utility bills, greater interior comfort and safety, better durability, and overall sustainability, etc. – with much less hassle by giving them a clear indication of which products are both sustainable and affordable. This will be particularly beneficial to help clear the air of greenwashing by pointing consumers toward products that will truly help them save energy and water, and also to products that are produced using verifiably more sustainable methods, such as FSC-certified lumber and recycled content flooring.

“The LEED green building program helps homeowners measure green home performance across a range of categories, and products play an important role in achieving certification,” said Nate Kredich, vice president of Residential Development at USGBC. “This database represents just one of the many ways in which The Home Depot is advancing sustainable, efficient and healthy homes by supporting green building and green products.”

The database was launched during the recent [TED Conference](#) in conjunction with the release of a new [LivingHome C6 design](#). C6 is an affordable LEED for Homes concept that was developed in partnership with Brad Pitt’s [Make it Right](#) project to

rebuild New Orleans' Lower Ninth Ward following Hurricane Katrina.

If you're unfamiliar with the LEED for Homes program, check out our [Step by Step Guide to LEED for Homes Certification](#) as well as this quick video introduction.



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