

Committee on the Environment – San Diego (COTE-SD)

CALL FOR GREEN PROJECTS

COTE-SD wants to put together a database of sustainable regional projects. This list may be used for tours, case studies, or possible venues for events. If you have designed, built, visited, or are aware of a great sustainable project that you think the COTE-SD should be aware of, please contact us.

Please send an e-mail to cote-sd@aiasandiego.org with the following information on the project.

- Name and location
- Use or function
- Architect or designer
- Contact information
- General, brief statement on what makes the project “Green”

Our goal is to create an ongoing list of projects/venues so whenever you become aware of a potential addition to the list, please send an email; however, in the interim, our goal is to create the initial list right away so if you could provide us any information/suggestions **no later than August 20** that would be very helpful.

Projects can be any size, built in any era, and do not have to be LEED Certified. When considering whether a product is green, please use the following list of measures of sustainable design. Refer to the National AIA COTE web pages www.aiatopten.org for additional information regarding these measures.

1. Design & Innovation – Project should express sustainable design concepts and intentions, and take advantage of innovative programming opportunities.
2. Regional/Community Design – Project values the unique cultural and natural character of a given site.
3. Land Use & Site Ecology – Project protects and benefits ecosystems, watersheds, and wildlife habitat in the presence of human development.
4. Bioclimatic Design – Project design conserves resources and maximizes comfort through design adaptations to site-specific and regional climate conditions.
5. Light & Air – Project creates comfortable interior environments that provide daylight, views and fresh air.
6. Water Cycle – Project conserves water and protects and improves water quality.
7. Energy Flows & Energy Future – Project conserves energy and resources and reduces the carbon footprint while improving building performance and comfort, while anticipating future energy sources and needs.
8. Materials & Construction – Project design includes the informed selection of materials and products to reduce product-cycle environmental impacts, improve performance, and optimize occupant health and comfort.
9. Long Life, Loose Fit – Project design seeks to enhance and increase ecological, social, and economic values over time.
10. Collective Wisdom and Feedback Loops – Project design strategies and best practices evolve over time through documented performance and shared knowledge of lessons learned.

