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DEFINITION OF A GREEN HOME

A green home is an energy-efficient home that incorporates multiple environmental, ecological and sustainability features that materially enhance the built environment.



GOAL OF A GREEN HOME

- Enhance health and safety,
- Enhance building durability, comfort,
- Enhance energy efficiency, and
- Enhance efficient use of resources.



GREEN FEATURES

Elements that enhance or increase:

- ➤ Disaster resistance
- > Excellent indoor air quality
- ➤ Universal design
- > Resource efficient materials
- ➤ Low water use
- Reduced energy consumption
- Native landscaping



IMPORTANCE TO AFFORDABILITY

- Energy efficiency is encouraged in affordable housing programs.
- Many improvements can be made for minimal cost.
- Reduced utility expenses are a major incentive particularly for lower income households.
- All homeowners benefit from a healthier home that is free of toxins.



SHIP rules on Green

SHIP statute:

(14) Each county and eligible municipality shall include initiatives in the local housing assistance plan identifying **current** and **emerging** green building and design techniques and explain how these techniques are to be integrated into its **housing strategies** both for **sustainability** and promote greater **affordability** pursuant to Section 420.9075(3)(d), F.S.



SHIP Statute

420.9075 Local housing assistance plans;
partnerships (d) Each county and each eligible
municipality shall describe initiatives in the
local housing assistance plan to encourage or
require innovative design, green building
principles, storm-resistant construction, or
other elements that reduce long-term costs
relating to maintenance, utilities, or
insurance.



LHAP Requirements

T - Describe efforts to incorporate Green Building and Energy Saving products and processes:

- Make sure that you follow the process and include the products that has been outlined in the LHAP
- You can do more, not less
- Include these products in your specifications and plans

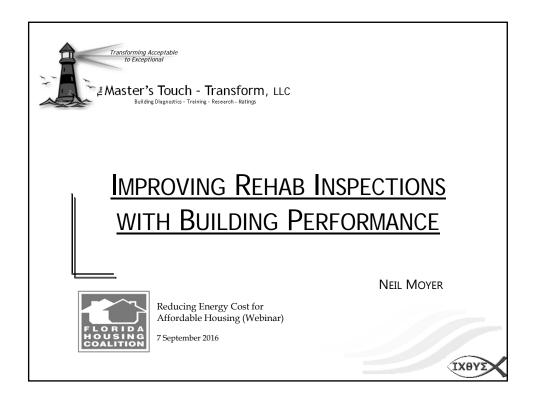


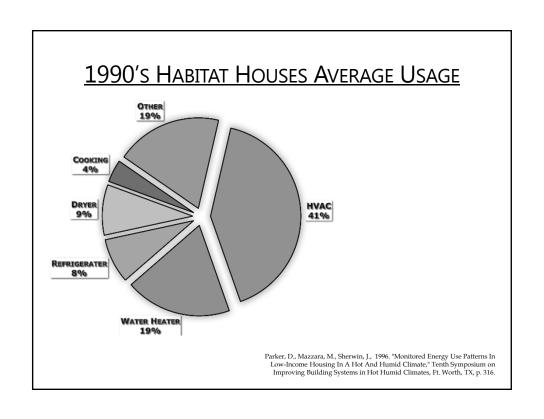
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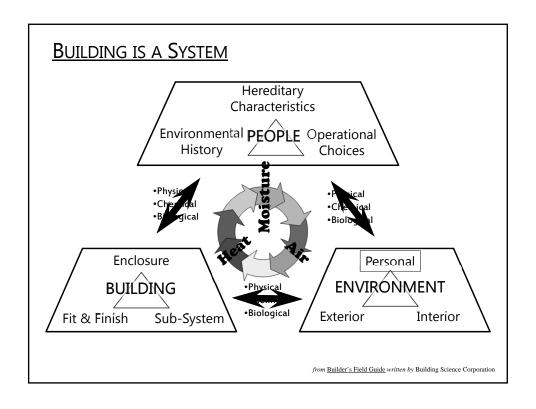
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KNOW THE ENEMY -Solar Radiation -Water Vapor

REDUCE ENERGY USE CAUSED BY...-Solar Radiation

Roof

- Light colors
- Metal

Attic

- Air Sealing
- Insulation
- Radiant Barrier
- Ventilation

Walls

- Landscape
- Light colors

Windows

- Landscape
- Sunscreen

HVAC

• Efficiency

REDUCE ENERGY USE CAUSED BY...- Water Vapor

Pressure Boundary

Air Sealing

HVAC

- Right sized
- Efficiency
- Tight ducts
- Exhaust fans
- Pressure balance



REDUCE ENERGY USE CAUSED BY...-Other

Water Heating

- Flow Resistors
- Leaks

Refrigeration

• EnergyStar®

Lighting

• LED / CFL



Potentially
Performance homes have:

LOWER ENERGY BILLS

MORE COMFORT

SMALLER COOL/HEAT EQUIPMENT

IMPROVED INDOOR AIR QUALITY

BUILDING PERFORMANCE: VISUAL ANALYSIS

Visual Confirmation

- Simulation
- Energy Usage
 - Lifestyle
- Insulation
- Moisture
- Air pathways
- Mech Equipment

BUILDING PERFORMANCE: TEST ANALYSIS

Diagnostic Tools

- Micromanometer
 - Pressure differences
- Blower Door
 - Building airtightness
 - Air leakage pathways
- Duct Tester
- Air Flow Tester
- Moisture Meter

TOO LEAKY-TIGHT-OR JUST RIGHT

Sometimes obvious

Sometimes not so much

BLOWER DOOR TESTING

Blower door testing is used to quantify and locate air leakage by using a calibrated fan to depressurize a house.

KNOW THE ENEMY		
Solar Radiation	Water Vapor	
Air Barrier Continuity & Air Tightness		

Penetrations- Plumbing

PENETRATIONS-ELECTRICAL

Open Floor cavities

DUCT AND ELECTRICAL PENETRATIONS

Connects attic space to conditioned space

BUILDING CAVIT

--- Before & After---

Connects attic space to conditioned space

Note: When air sealing around chimneys or combustion vent pipes; non-combustible materials must be used.

THEN TO TIGHT...

CONCRETE HOUSE — ALL 6 SIDES

Very tight – high interior moisture

Pressure Pan	Duct Tester
Duct Leakage	

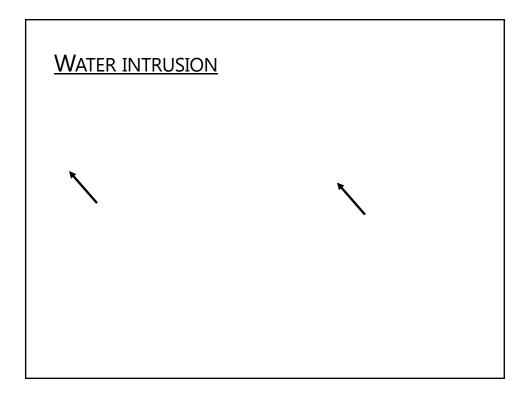
Missing Insulation

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<u>Missing</u> <u>Insulation</u>

Kneewall insulation problem

Missing Insulation	



MECHANICAL VENTILATION

Strategies:

Point-source ventilation

• Remove Pollutants

Whole-building ventilation

• Dilute Pollutants

Types:

Exhaust-Only

Supply-Only

Balanced

GREEN HOME

ONE WAY OR ANOTHER

Right Thing Right Way

 Right thing happens

Wrong Thing Right Way

 Wrong thing happens

Right Thing Wrong Way

 Right thing may or may not happen

Wrong Thing Wrong Way

 Wrong thing happens "Transforming the acceptable to exceptionable"



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ENERGY EFFICIENCY IN REHAB WORK



Improving Sub-Standard Housing-Home Repairs

- Start with Health and Safety Focus
- > Energy Conservation= IAQ
- Accessibility promotes Aging In Place
- > Basic Green Building



FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF AG AND CONSUMER SERVICES

- ★ The office uses available state and federal funds to develop and manage energy efficiency, renewable energy and energy education programs throughout the state.
- * http://www.myfloridahomeenergy.com/
 - + An interactive energy consumption site



Maximizing Efficiency

- Improving building performance is the first step
- Improving the whole house, extends the value of the energy retrofit measures
 - Knowing what to replace/upgrade and when, is key



Energy and Water Conservation



OVERLAP BETWEEN E.E. MEASURES AND HEALTHY HOMES PRINCIPLES

- ★ 1. Dry = Air Sealing, Duct Sealing, Ventilation, Water Mgmt.
- **★** 2. Clean = Air Sealing, Duct Sealing, Materials Selection
- **★** 3. **Pest-Free** = Air Sealing, Duct Sealing
- **★** 4. **Ventilated** = Ventilation
- **★** 5. **Safe** = Lead, Asbestos, Mold, Radon, Fire Hazards,
- * Structural
- **★** 6. **Contaminant-Free** = Ventilation, Air/Duct Sealing
- **★** 7. **Maintained (Durable)** = HVAC/Ventilation, Water
- * Management, Structural
- × 8. Energy Efficient



UTILITY COMPANIES SELL POWER

- * And they provide conservation programs-
 - + JEA- Jacksonville Electric Authority
 - × Discount on Light bulbs
 - × Lots of info on Tips, financing for conservation
 - × Certain Programs with Rebates on residential

FPL-

On Call program- monthly discount
Consumer education
Quality Control Training with Specialty Trades



UTILITY COMPANIES ARE A RESOURCE

- Rebates for measures installed
- <u>http://www.dsireusa.org/</u>
- **x** Conservation education
 - + For Clients/Customers-
 - * Evaluate actual energy consumption
 - * Understand the Impact of behavior on consumption
 - + For Staff-
 - * implementing conservation measures effectively
 - * Training contractors/inspectors



CLIENT EDUCATION

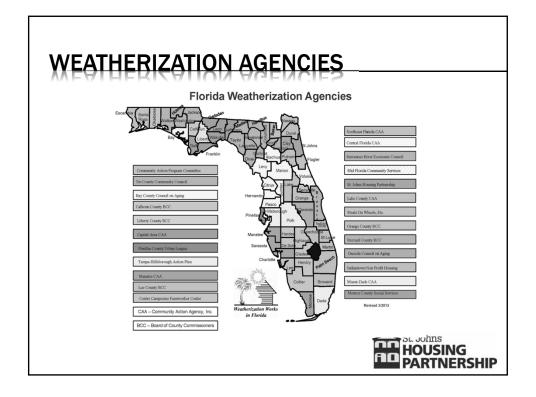
- Instructions on equipment operation and maintenance
- Tips on energy-saving actions
- Information on carbon monoxide and other hazards



TRAINING AND PARTNERSHIPS ARE CRITICAL

- ★ Weatherization Plus Health improve the energy efficiency, health, and safety of low-income homes
- ★ There are many, many homes that need weatherization but have needs beyond the scope of the program
- ★ A unified approach that includes weatherization, rehab, as well as "health" issues such as lead, mold, and pest control
- ★ This approach requires a level of cooperation yet to be achieved





Weatherization Measures

- > Air seal / tighten building envelope
- ➤ Add cellulose attic insulation to R-38
- > Install energy star bath exhaust fans
- > Install compact fluorescent light bulbs
- > Test, seal & insulate duct systems
- > Replace refrigerator, when inefficient
- > Properly size heating & cooling systems



SHIP AND WEATHERIZATION

- > Ms. Floyd
- > Weatherization
 - > Air Sealing
 - > HVAC
- > SHIP
 - > Roof
 - > Wall Insulation
 - > Siding
 - Painting with Volunteers



RESOURCES:

- ★ Florida Weatherization Network <u>www.flwap.org</u>
- **★** Florida Solar Energy Center <u>www.fsec.ucf.edu</u>
- ★ Florida Green Building Coalition www.floridagreenbuilding.org
- ★ Weatherization Plus Healthhttp://wxplushealth.org/about-weatherizationplus-health
- * From Florida DACS- an interactive energy consumption site
- * http://www.myfloridahomeenergy.com/



Resources - Funding Partners

SHIP Weatherization
Older Americans Act HUD-CDBG

USDA – Section 504 Foundations/United Way
Utility Companies Federal Home Loan Bank
Medwaiver / Medicaid Programs Local government support

Growing Trends:

Hospitals/Health Insurance Companies/Employers

Healthy Housing and Home Performance

http://homeenergypros.lbl.gov/profiles/blogs/habitat-x-releases-2105-position-statement?xg_source=msg_mes_network



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The Neighborhood Energy Saver Program **Duke Energy**

Helping Neighbors Save Energy And Money

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Goals & Objectives

- Assist families in income eligible neighborhoods by installing up to **20 FREE** energy conservation measures
- Educate families on energy efficiency techniques and best practices
- ■Change the way they think about using energy
- ■Control energy usage

Eligibility Requirements

- Meet Fla. Department of Economic Opportunity's income guidelines
- Duke Energy residential metered customer
- Reside in the selected census data block group

Home Improvements

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Visiting your home



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Home Improvements Small changes can make a big difference.

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Air Infiltration Reduction/Caulking Penetrations

Air Infiltration reduction

- ➤ Through out home
- ➤ Caulking around window A/C

Weatherization Improvements

2 doors per home

- >Weather-stripping
- **≻**Door sweeps

Hot water Improvements

Water flow restrictors

- >3 per Home
 - >1,Swivel head Kitchen
 - >2,Fixed Bathrooms
- **≻**Temperature check

Hot water Improvements

- ➤ Water heater wrap
- ➤ Water heater pipe wrap

A/C Improvements ➤ Digital wall plate thermometer

A/C Improvements >4 Central A/C >Measure for filter size > 2 Wall Unit >1 Window HVAC Cover

Insulation upgrade	
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Basic Air-Conditioning Maintenance	
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Questions?

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