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## Vienna Community Center is golden

The recently renovated Vienna Community Center isn't only bigger and better – it's also golden. The community center has received gold-level LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) certification through the U.S. Green Building Council (USGBC).

The most widely used green building rating system in the world, according to the USGBC website, the LEED program provides a framework to create healthy, highly efficient, and cost-saving green buildings.

The Vienna Community Center attained gold-level certification through its new construction/major renovation project, which was completed in 2017.

"We knew going into the renovation project that our goal was to have a silver-level LEEDcertified building," says Mayor Laurie DiRocco. "We're very excited to have exceeded our goal and proud to have this recognition of Vienna's commitment to enhancing sustainability."

The Vienna Community Center received 62 of 110 possible LEED points, qualifying the building and construction project for the second-highest rating available through the USGBC program. RRMM Lukmire Architects managed the LEED certification process for this project.

Among the categories for which the community center attained LEED points were alternative transportation – public transportation access and parking capacity, stormwater design quality control, water efficient landscaping, optimizing energy performance, use of recycled and low-emitting materials, having a green housekeeping management plan, construction waste management, and building reuse – maintaining existing walls, floors, and roof.

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