

2015 Leadership Award Winner

Hord Coplan Macht







About Hord Coplan Macht

Hord Coplan Macht is a 200-employee architecture firm with offices in Baltimore, Denver and Alexandria. The firm strives to integrate sustainability throughout its entire operation, from workplace initiatives, staff development, and community involvement to every phase of the design process.

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Achievements

Sustainability Committee: Hord Coplan Macht has an active Sustainability Committee that meets monthly and organizes initiatives and presentations that provide resouces, research, and education to firm employees.

Practices: Hord Coplan Macht leases space in a LEED EBOM Platinumcertified building located in a walking/transit-friendly area of Baltimore. The firm offers a monetary subsidy to those who use alternative transportation to get to work and it also participates in Bike to Work Day each year. To reduce water use, the firm installed water-efficient fixtures in its leased space, which inspired a change-out of fixtures throughout the building.

Projects: The firm has 77 LEED projects and more than 66 percent of the technical staff are LEED Accredited Professionals. The firm also reports energy data from all its projects as part of the AIA 2030 Commitment. This voluntary initiative has a goal of carbon neutral buildings by the year 2030.

Community: Hord Coplan Macht employees are active in environmental organizations and initiatives throughout the region, donating an average of 2,000 community service hours each year. Activities include participation in USGBC's Green Apple Day of Service, the development of GREEN events Baltimore - a calendar of educational events for the region, and Project Clean Stream, which has resulted in the collection of more than four tons of trash from Herring Run over the past six years.

The Maryland Green Registry Leadership Awards recognize organizations that have shown a strong commitment to the implementation of sustainable practices, the demonstration of measurable results, and the continual improvement of environmental performance.