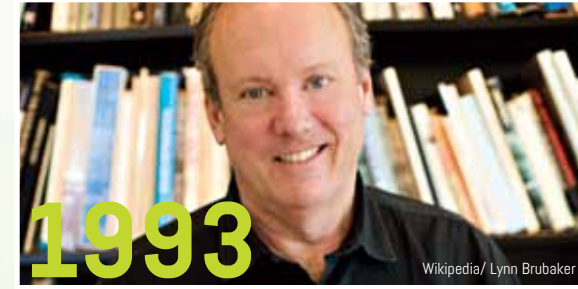




CELEBRATING 20 YEARS OF MAKING THE PLACES WE LIVE, WORK, LEARN, AND PLAY HEALTHY AND HIGH- PERFORMING!



1993

Legendary Bill McDonough gives the office of Pittsburgh's Heinz Family Foundation a green renovation. This inspires the foundation's focus on sustainable design, construction, and operation.

GBA holds first local green building conference with 125+ attendees.



1997

Rebecca Flora is hired as GBA's first executive director and full-time employee; she heads GBA for 11+ years and will later (in 2008) become the first female chair of the U.S. Green Building Council.



2000

PNC Firstside becomes the country's first green financial institution (LEED-NC Silver).

The Greater Pittsburgh Community Food Bank (LEED-NC Silver) and KSBA Architects (LEED-NC Bronze) were two of the first 12 LEED-certified buildings in the country.



2003

Pittsburgh hosts the 2nd annual Greenbuild Conference & Expo at the David L. Lawrence Convention Center.

Carnegie Mellon University's Stever House (formerly New House Residence Hall) becomes the country's first green dormitory (LEED-NC Silver).

GBA hosts the first national meeting to develop DASH: Database for Analyzing Sustainable and High Performance Buildings.

Senator John Heinz Pittsburgh Regional History Center, Smithsonian Wing becomes the country's first green Smithsonian property (LEED-NC Silver).

WYEP radio station becomes the country's first green radio station (LEED-NC Silver).

Phipps Conservatory's Welcome Center becomes the country's first green welcome center (LEED-NC Silver).

GBA officially launches its Green Building Products Initiative (GBPI).



2005

Pittsburgh is ranked #1 nationally for number and square footage of LEED-certified buildings.

GBA leads the creation and adoption of the Pittsburgh Climate Action Plan, Version 1.



2009

GBA's offices become the first LEED Platinum space in Western Pennsylvania (LEED-CI Platinum).

GBA's second executive director, Holly Childs, is hired.

Point Park University Dance Complex becomes the country's first green university dance space (LEED-NC Gold).

GBA creates its online searchable *Pennsylvania Green Building Products Directory*.

Consol Energy Center opens as the first NHL arena to achieve LEED Gold (LEED-NC Gold).

GBA leads Pittsburgh Climate Initiative's publication of *Pittsburgh Greenhouse Gas Emissions Inventory: A Five-Year Benchmark*.



2010

Sota Construction Services completes the region's first net-zero energy building at Riverside Mews on Pittsburgh's South Side.

GBA hires Mike Schiller as executive director.



2011

GBA awards fifth and final round of Product Innovation Grants, culminating in over \$1.2 million given over five years to 24 Pennsylvania projects to commercialize green building products.

GBA's two-year *Building Performance Case Study of the David L. Lawrence Convention Center* is published, proving the building's green features positively affect its triple bottom line value.

Pittsburgh City Council unanimously endorses the implementation of the Pittsburgh Climate Action Plan, Version 2.



GBA develops online learning course about green product labels and certifications.

GBA founds the Pittsburgh 2030 District as the third 2030 District in the nation – aiming to achieve major energy, water, and transportation emission reductions in Downtown Pittsburgh.

GBA formalizes its Green Schools Academy to help schools integrate sustainable culture into their decision-making.

GBA hosts over 125 networking and educational events as part of a new strategic direction.



2012

Phipps Conservatory's Center for Sustainable Landscapes opens as first building pursuing the Living Building Challenge in Pennsylvania.

David L. Lawrence Convention Center is awarded LEED-EBOM Platinum -- the first convention center to do so, the largest building in the world to be LEED-certified across its life cycle at Gold or higher, AND the first local dual LEED-certified building.

ACTION Housing and Thoughtful Balance break ground on Pittsburgh's first Passive House.



GBA reaches 1,000 members – and tops 1,200!

GBA's executive assistant, Bev Collier, celebrates 15 wonderful years of service.

GBA's Pittsburgh 2030 District marks its 50% square footage participation milestone just six months after District founding.



2013

GBA is local host for the first national 2030 Districts Summit.

GBA celebrates its 20th anniversary!