



About the program

EarthCraft is a comprehensive green building certification program tailored to the unique climate, energy, and water conditions of the southeastern United States. Developed by Southface and administered in Virginia by Viridiant, it provides a practical framework for sustainable construction across various building types, including single-family homes, multifamily units, and light commercial spaces.

Multifamily

EarthCraft Multifamily addresses both new constructions and renovations of multifamily projects. The program aims to create communities that are operationally cost-effective and efficient in terms of energy, water, and resources. Each certified unit includes dedicated fresh-air intake systems to optimize indoor air quality.

House

EarthCraft House focuses on enhancing the energy efficiency, durability, and comfort of single-family residences. The certification process involves third-party verification to ensure compliance with program standards, resulting in homes that are not only energy-efficient but also water- and resource-efficient.

Light Commercial

EarthCraft Light Commercial emphasizes resource-responsible design and construction practices for commercial buildings up to 80,000 square feet. The program offers intensive support during the design and construction phases, and projects undergo third-party field verification and diagnostic testing to confirm building efficiencies.

Resources

Multifamily

Register
your LIHTC project



New Construction and Adaptive Reuse

For projects registered 1/1/2024 or later

- [EarthCraft Multifamily New Construction Workbook v7](#)
- [EarthCraft Multifamily New Construction Technical Guidelines v7](#)

For projects registered 1/1/2022 or later

- [EarthCraft Multifamily New Construction Workbook v6.5](#)
- [EarthCraft Multifamily New Construction Technical Guidelines v6.5](#)

For projects registered 1/23/2020 to 12/31/2021

- [EarthCraft Multifamily New Construction Workbook v6](#)
- [EarthCraft Multifamily Technical Guidelines v6](#)

Renovation

For projects registered 1/1/2024 or later

- [EarthCraft Multifamily Renovation Workbook v7](#)

For projects registered 1/1/2022 or later

- [EarthCraft Multifamily Renovation Workbook v6](#)
- [EarthCraft Multifamily Renovation Technical Guidelines v6](#)

For projects registered prior to 12/31/2021

- [EarthCraft Multifamily Renovation Workbook v5](#)
- [EarthCraft Multifamily Renovation Technical Guidelines v6](#)

House

[Certification Worksheet](#)

[Technical Guidelines](#)

Light Commercial

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