



Dayton earns LEED platinum status in recognition of sustainability success

-First in Ohio, fourth in the U.S.-

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The City of Dayton has earned the prestigious LEED for Cities Platinum status from the U.S. Green Building Council (USGBC) in recognition of progress in meeting sustainability goals.

City leaders joined community partners and USGBC for an announcement today at the Dayton Arcade. The City is engaged in a multi-year effort to dramatically reduce its carbon footprint, while saving millions of dollars through sustainability efforts.

Dayton is the first city/community in Ohio to earn the status and just the fourth in the United States.

To reach platinum in LEED for Cities, the City of Dayton benchmarked its performance against national and global standards and demonstrated leadership in sustainability, resilience, and social equity. The City is invested in data-driven decision-making and improving the standard of living and quality of life for residents.

Through the certification program, cities and communities create and operationalize responsible, sustainable, and specific plans for natural systems, energy, water, waste, transportation, and many other factors that contribute to quality of life.

LEED, or Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design, was created by the U.S. Green Building Council and is the world's most widely used green building rating system. Expanding on the LEED for Buildings rating system, LEED for Cities and Communities helps local leaders measure and manage progress in community conditions, in pursuit of a more sustainable, resilient, and equitable future.

"Our platinum certification reflects Dayton's commitment to addressing climate change challenges and the leadership that our city is demonstrating," said Mayor Jeffrey Mims.

"We have been working hard on sustainability initiatives including reduction of our carbon footprint, promotion of electric vehicles, promotion of solar energy, and youth climate education. This designation showcases the work of our community partners such as Five Rivers MetroParks, Montgomery County/Dayton Regional Green, the University of Dayton Hanley Sustainability Institute, MVRPC, and many others. It also shows that when we work together, we can put Dayton on the map as an innovative and sustainable city."

“A sustainable city balances social, economic and environmental concerns in its decision-making and planning. A LEED city takes those plans forward as solutions that improve the overall quality of life for its residents,” said Peter Templeton, president and CEO, USGBC. “The City of Dayton's LEED certification is a symbol of leadership on sustainability.”

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Left to right: Michael Berning (HEAPY Chief Innovation Officer, representing USGBC/LEED); City Manager Shelley Dickstein; Mayor Jeffrey J. Mims, Jr.; Leslie King (Miami Valley Regional Planning Commission); Matt Lindsay (MVRPC); Commissioner Matt Joseph; City of Dayton Sustainability Manager Meg Maloney; Katy Buddelmeyer (Sustainability Fellow, Ohio State University).

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