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## US Green Building Council – St. Louis Regional Chapter Presents Green Building 101: Basics of LEED and Green Building

Ever wondered what makes a **building green**?  
Come find out!

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On Tuesday, July 28<sup>th</sup> the U.S. Green Building Council - St. Louis Regional Chapter (USGBC-STL) will present the basics of green building and LEED certification at Lewis & Clark Community College's Edwardsville Campus.

Have you ever wondered what elements make a building green? What are the economic benefits of building or renovating green? Why is LEED certification important? Do you know where to find local resources on green building?

This is a great opportunity to learn more about the various components of green building, the positive impact on the indoor and outdoor environment, and the potential cost savings that can be realized. Examples of sustainable elements of local projects will be highlighted.

In addition, you will gain knowledge of the LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) Green Building Rating System™ and the role of the USGBC. The basics of LEED will be covered, including the categories, points, how to register a project and earn certification.

The presenters, Ralph Bicknese of Hellmuth and Bicknese Architects, and JoAnn Brookes of HOK are both LEED accredited professionals and USGBC-STL leaders and Speakers Bureau Volunteer. Ralph and JoAnn will welcome questions regarding green building, LEED certification, or the USGBC.

There is no cost to attend. The presentations will be held in the LeClaire Room at Lewis and Clark Community College's historic N.O. Nelson Campus in Edwardsville, IL from 6:30-8:00 pm. RSVP by contacting USGBC-STL at [usgbc-stl@mobot.org](mailto:usgbc-stl@mobot.org) or (314) 577-0854

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### About U.S. Green Building Council-St. Louis Regional Chapter:

The U.S. Green Building Council is the nation's foremost coalition of leaders from across the building industry working to promote buildings that are environmentally responsible, profitable and healthy places to live and work. The St. Louis Regional Chapter includes every segment of the building industry: architecture; engineering; construction; landscape architecture; interior design; product manufacturing and sales; facilities management; insurance; real estate; federal, state and local government and non-profit organizations.

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