Live Demo: Introducing the 2026 Criteria

ENTERPRISE GREEN COMMUNITIES

February 19, 2026

Today's Session

1   **IDENTIFY THE THEMES OF THE 2026 CRITERIA**

2   **NAVIGATE OUR ONLINE RESOURCES TO IDENTIFY PROGRAM GUIDANCE FOR YOUR PROJECTS**

Impacts

Affordable homes that are healthy, efficient and climate resilient

Navigating themes in the 2026 Criteria

Energy: Reducing energy use, cost, and emissions

Health: Enhancing the health and well-being of residents and communities

Resilience: Preparing now for livability in light of future hazards and risks

GREEN COMMUNITIES
ONLINE

www.GreenCommunitiesOnline.org

New Users

GETTING STARTED	REVIEW PROCESS	REQUIREMENTS
Explore our Green Communities website and learn all about how to have a successful Green Communities application	Learn about our Prebuild and Postbuild review process and timeline	Dive into our different definitions and requirements to determine the best pathway forward for your project

New & Returning Users

CRITERIA CONTENT	TOOLS & TEMPLATES	WHAT'S NEW
Explore the 2020 and 2026 criteria content and checklist - filter requirements by location, construction type, and theme	Access 2020 and 2026 resources and templates for EGC compliance	Review 2020 and 2026 comparisons, check for 2026 addendum, and stay up-to-date with program news

COMING SOON:
WHAT TO EXPECT

Launch Resources

- **National Sessions**
  - ✔ **January 15** Preview Event: 2026 Enterprise Green Communities Criteria *pdf available*
  - ✔ **February 19** Live Demo: Introducing the 2026 Criteria *new website launch*
  - o **March 10** Highlights of the NYC Overlay of the 2026 Criteria
  - o **March 19** Deep Dive: Exploring the 2026 Criteria
  - o **April 13** National Building Museum, Washington, D.C.
  - o **May 14** Certifying to the 2026 Criteria
  - o **Monthly** office hours (Zoom) – Scroll to 'What's New' on https://www.greencommunitiesonline.org/
- **Links**
  - o **NYC webinar registration:** https://cvent.me/02q8rq
  - o **National webinar registration:** https://cvent.me/VaBMM0
  - o **Stay Updated:** https://www.enterprisecommunity.org/impact-areas/resilience/green-communities#sign-up

Launch Resources

- **Updated templates and toolkits** *majority available in April; others available this summer*
- **Program comparisons** *2020 vs 2026 Criteria available Feb 19; comparisons with LEED and NGBS this spring*
- **Specifications** *available this summer*
- **Certification portal**
  - Teams may utilize either the 2020 or 2026 Criteria for projects that are beginning their certification journey this April-September
  - Any initial certification Prebuild application submitted October 1st or later will use the 2026 Criteria

Certification mailbox: certification@enterprisecommunity.org
Website: www.greencommunitiesonline.org

DISCUSSION
QUESTIONS

Thank You

Enterprise