

NOMINATION DEADLINE: FRIDAY, JANUARY 15, 2010

Southwest Build-It-Green Expo & Conference, USGBC Arizona Chapter,  
and AZRE Magazine proudly present:



#### **BIG GREEN AWARDS:**

Thursday, March 18, 2010 | Evening Reception | Phoenix Convention Center  
The Build-It-Green Expo & Conference runs March 18, 19 & 20.

#### **ABOUT THE BIG GREEN AWARDS:**

The Southwest Build-It-Green Expo & Conference, USGBC Arizona Chapter, and AZRE Magazine are proud to present the 2010 BIG Green Awards. The awards will recognize leaders and organizations that engage in the implementation of sustainability principles. Leadership is crucial to the success of sustainable development and therefore deserves special recognition. We'll recognize leadership, progress, processes and visions in 12 award categories. The winners will be honored for continuing to renew our community and enrich our lives through sustainability.

#### **NOMINATION PROCESS:**

**Nomination forms must be completed and sent in by Friday, January 15<sup>th</sup>, 2010** to be considered. Nomination FORMS must be PRINTED and any images must be in DIGITAL format on a CD/DVD. Please mail all nominations to: BIG Green Awards Nomination Committee, 3101 N. Central Avenue, Suite 1070, Phoenix, AZ 85012.

All nominations will be reviewed by a selection committee comprised of industry professionals, business leaders, USGBC board members and the Build-It-Green editorial team. The selection committee will determine all finalists and winners. Please email [events@azbigmedia.com](mailto:events@azbigmedia.com) with any questions. Finalists will be notified via email approximately 30 days before the awards.

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### SECTION I: GENERAL INFORMATION – ALL fields must be completed

Please provide us with the following contact information so we may reach you with any questions and/or to discuss the nomination.

<b>NOMINATOR NAME (YOUR NAME)</b>	
COMPANY	
TITLE	
COMPANY ADDRESS	
CITY, STATE, ZIP	
PHONE	
EMAIL ADDRESS	

### NOMINEE INFORMATION – PERSON OR ORGANIZATION YOU ARE NOMINATING

<b>NOMINEE'S NAME</b>	
COMPANY	
TITLE	
COMPANY ADDRESS	
CITY, STATE, ZIP	
PHONE	
EMAIL ADDRESS	
WHERE IS THE COMPANY HEADQUARTERED?	
HOW MANY OFFICES IN ARIZONA?	
WHEN WAS THE COMPANY FOUNDED?	
NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES? (TOTAL AND IN ARIZONA)	
IS THE COMPANY A USGBC MEMBER?	



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## SECTION II: AWARD CATEGORIES

You may only choose **ONE** category per nomination. Each award category is customized with different criteria and different information is required for each. You may submit multiple nominations in various categories but you must complete different nomination forms for each. Complete category descriptions and criteria are detailed on the following pages.



Award Categories #1-8 are presented by Build-It-Green

#1	Alternative Energy Leaders Award	
#2	Alternative Mobility Award	
#3	Commercial Green Building Award	
#4	Corporate Green Programs & Practices Award	
#5	Green Advocates Award	
#6	Green Innovation Award	
#7	Green Processes Award	
#8	Residential Green Community Award	



Award Categories #9-12 are presented by USGBC Arizona Chapter

#9	Green Schools Excellence Award (K-12)	
#10	Green Schools Excellence Award (Higher Education)	
#11	Lifetime Achievement Award	
#12	Volunteer of the Year Award	



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### SECTION III: CATEGORIES AND DESCRIPTIONS OF QUALIFICATION

There are 12 award categories detailed below. On a separate page(s), please tell us about the nominee. Please provide responses to each of the questions for the particular award category and include specific examples of how the nominee qualifies for the award. This is the opportunity to tell your nominee's story! Please limit responses to no more than 1,500 words per category.

#### #1: ALTERNATIVE ENERGY LEADERS AWARD



This award recognizes alternative energy companies that have made a significant impact to the wind, solar, water, energy or fuel industries in Arizona.

- Describe the nominee's company and its operations.
- Describe the technology and specific products used within the alternative energy company.
- How has the business model evolved over the past two years, or since your company began operations in Arizona?
- What is the ROI of the company's products/services for local businesses and consumers?

#### #2: ALTERNATIVE MOBILITY AWARD



This award honors companies or public entities that are developing and/or promoting alternative modes of transportation for individuals and/or the public.

- What is the nominee's company/organization/municipality doing to develop alternative modes of transportation?
- Describe how these modes are reducing the carbon footprint within your community.
- How are you making your alternative modes of transportation accessible to the general public as a whole?

#### #3: COMMERCIAL GREEN BUILDING AWARD



This award will recognize an exemplary public or private sustainable building using state-of-the-art green technology that significantly reduces the building's carbon footprint.

- If the building is a retrofit, please describe what was done to make it more sustainable – materials used, technology integrated, construction process, etc.
- If the building is new, describe the construction process and materials used to complete the project.
- Describe how the development's carbon footprint has been reduced and by how much.
- How does the building help the surrounding community?



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### #4: CORPORATE GREEN PROGRAMS & PRACTICES AWARD



Honors companies that have streamlined environmental work incentives, integrated recycle programs, carpooling, ride to work day and/or other company wide practices.

- What is being done within office operations to reduce carbon footprints?
- What type of programs have been put into place for employees?
- How does the company recognize employees who practice sustainability in the workplace?
- What type of work/life programs are in place to help reduce carbon footprint? (telecommuting, flex-time, four day work weeks, etc)
- How have these programs impacted business operations?

### #5: GREEN ADVOCATES AWARD



Recognizes advocates of sustainability throughout the business community. These advocates will have an impact on creating awareness and educating others.

- How is the nominee an advocate of the green movement?
- Describe the nominee's philosophy on sustainability and green practices.
- If in the nonprofit sector, how does the organization's mission to assist efforts for sustainability?
- If in the private sector, how has the nominee's knowledge/expertise been used by businesses and other entities to improve their sustainability efforts?

### #6: GREEN INNOVATION AWARD



Recognizes a company that has developed new green products and/or services for the business community and/or consumers.

- Describe the latest technology that the company has developed.
- Describe other green products/services that have made an impact on the green movement.
- What benefits have the products/services provided to consumers and/or local businesses?



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### #7: GREEN PROCESSES AWARD



Honors companies for their sustainable product manufacturing processes and green materials used within its materials and/or distribution of goods.

- Describe the sustainable processes used in the manufacturing of the company's products.
- What alternative green materials are used in the manufacturing of the company's products?
- How have the processes translated into cost savings for the company?

### #8: RESIDENTIAL GREEN COMMUNITY AWARD



This award will be given to a sustainable master-planned-community or multi-family development.

- How was the community developed/retrofitted to be green?
- What makes this residential development stand out from other sustainable developments?
- What sustainable programs have been initiated for residents living in the community?
- Describe any green landscape design and how it helps the community's overall sustainability efforts. Please provide specific examples.

### #9: GREEN SCHOOLS EXCELLENCE AWARD (K-12)

USGBC  
Arizona Chapter



Recognizes an individual or educational institution for success in creating efficient places for learning through sustainable best practices.

- Describe the nominee's impact upon the local community and the educational services provided.
- Provide a few examples of sustainable best practices supported by the institution.
- Provide a few examples of school-community partnerships the nominee or the educational institution is involved in that promote sustainable initiatives.
- How does the nominee encourage students and/or school boards to adopt green building practices?



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### #10: GREEN SCHOOLS EXCELLENCE AWARD (HIGHER ED.)

USGBC  
Arizona Chapter 

Recognizes an individual or educational institution for success in creating efficient places for learning through sustainable best practices.

- Describe the nominee's impact upon the local community and the educational services provided.
- Provide a few examples of sustainable best practices supported by the institution.
- Provide a few examples of school-community partnerships the nominee or the educational institution is involved in that promote sustainable initiatives.

### #11: LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

USGBC  
Arizona Chapter 

This prestigious award is presented to an individual or organization demonstrating a long-standing commitment and extraordinary achievement through a body of work that has directly improved the community of Arizona.

- Describe the nominee's company and/or its operations.
- How does the person or company show commitment to economic, social and environmental sustainability?
- How has the person or company improved Arizona's community?
- Please describe how the person or company is considered an advocate for sustainability and has been for a prolonged period of time. Please provide specific examples.

### #12: VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR AWARD

USGBC  
Arizona Chapter 

Honors someone who contributes their time, creativity, energy and resources to help sustain and enrich the Arizona chapter of the USGBC.

- When, how and why did the nominee get involved in the green movement?
- Describe the nominee's voluntary contributions to the local USGBC chapter.
- How has the nominee's commitment to action vitally advanced the mission of the chapter?

END OF AWARD CATEGORIES