



# LEED for Cities





SAFE  
HEALTHY  
INCLUSIVE  
SMART  
PRODUCTIVE  
EFFICIENT  
EQUITABLE  
SUSTAINABLE  
RESPONSIVE  
RESILIENT



# Recognizes and Awards Performance

- Measurable Performance is Evaluated – on factors as diverse as citywide infrastructure, services, sustainability and quality of life
- Goals, Plans, Policies, Strategies and Projects that led to achieving the Performance are critical
- Performance is Scored relative to a robust data set
- LEED for Cities Certification is a part of the journey not the destination

# Leadership in Sustainability and Quality of Life

- Cultivating a New Generation of High-Performance Cities
- Attracting new capital – human and financial
- Enabling Smarter, Data-Driven Engagement – connecting silos
- Innovating the ways in which cities across the world compare, benchmark and compete
- What gets measured, gets done; what gets measured, gets improved; what gets improved and done, gets celebrated!

# Flexible and Scalable Platform

- The Certification is offered on a unique Arc platform
- 14 metrics are used for Performance Scoring and Certification, focusing on: Energy, Water, Waste, Transportation, Education, Health, Safety, Prosperity and Equitability
- Cities can track performance on Arc with 250+ parameters for more detailed evaluation

# Other Reasons to Certify

- Obtain a baseline
- Help decide priorities
- Help make better informed decisions
- Benchmarking and comparison with other cities, sharing resources and best practices (avoiding recreating the wheel)
- Getting all your departments and authorities measuring the same vital, useful metrics and in the same way
- All your metrics in one place where you can do holistic tracking and analyzing
- Keeping collaboration and advancement progressing forward
- Early adopter and leader – have more flexibility, support and limelight
- Risk mitigation (e.g., Moody's score; proactive assessment)
- Help other small coastal cities

- City provides data across 5 categories to generate score:

- Energy
- Water
- Waste
- Transportation
- Human Experience

# SCORING 1-100



# PERFORMANCE, SCORED.

Energy:

out of 33

Water:

out of 15

Waste:

out of 8

Transportation:

out of 14

Human Experience:

out of 20

**Base score:** out of 10

Education, Health, Safety,  
Equitability and Prosperity

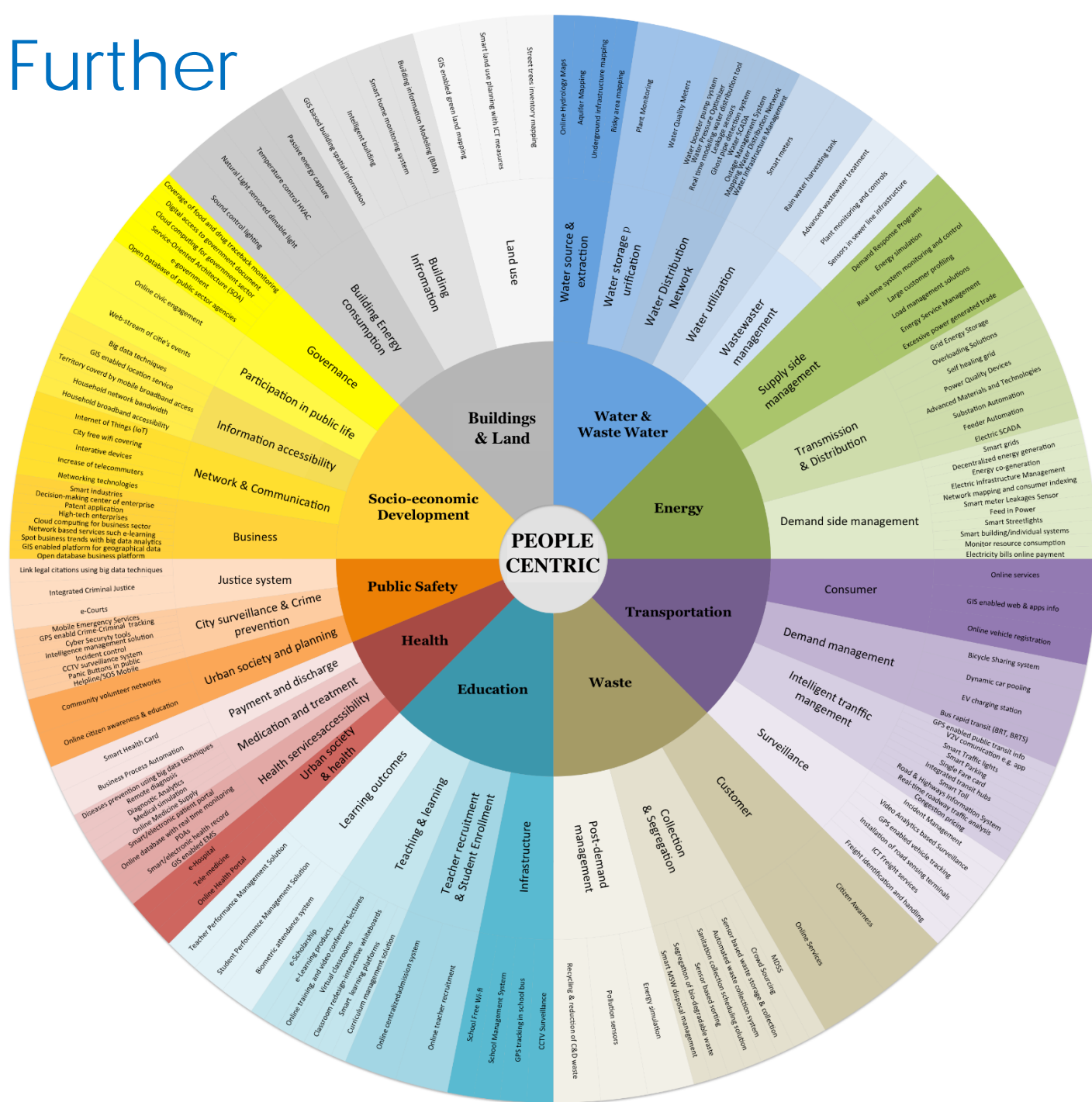


Human Experience	Energy	1. Greenhouse Gas Emissions (CO <sub>2</sub> equivalent)
	Water	2. Water Consumption
	Waste	3. Municipal Solid Waste Generated
		4. Municipal Solid Waste Diverted from Landfill
	Transportation	5. Distance Traveled in Individual Vehicles Daily
	Education	6. Population with (at least) a High School Degree
		7. Population with (at least) a Bachelor's Degree
	Equitability	8. Median Gross Rent as % of Household Income
		9. Income Differential/Gini coefficient
	Prosperity	10. Median Household Income
		11. Unemployment rate
	Health & Safety	12. Median Air Quality Index (AQI)
		13. Air Quality Days Unhealthy for Sensitive Groups
		14. Violent Crime

# Parameters Available for Further Performance Tracking

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- 250 Parameters preloaded on the platform
- Additionally, Cities can provide parameters for measuring customized priorities



# Improve performance and certify to LEED for Cities:



Step 1: Register  
your city in arc



Step 2: Pre-certify



Step 3: Share data  
to receive a score



Step 4: GBCI review  
of data



Step 5: Certify to  
LEED for Cities



buildings communities cities

## a single platform

All buildings, communities, cities; all rating systems, standards, protocols; all data, technology, people; all certifications all in one place. arc complements LEED, other green building rating systems, and even buildings not pursuing certification. It's yours at your fingertips.

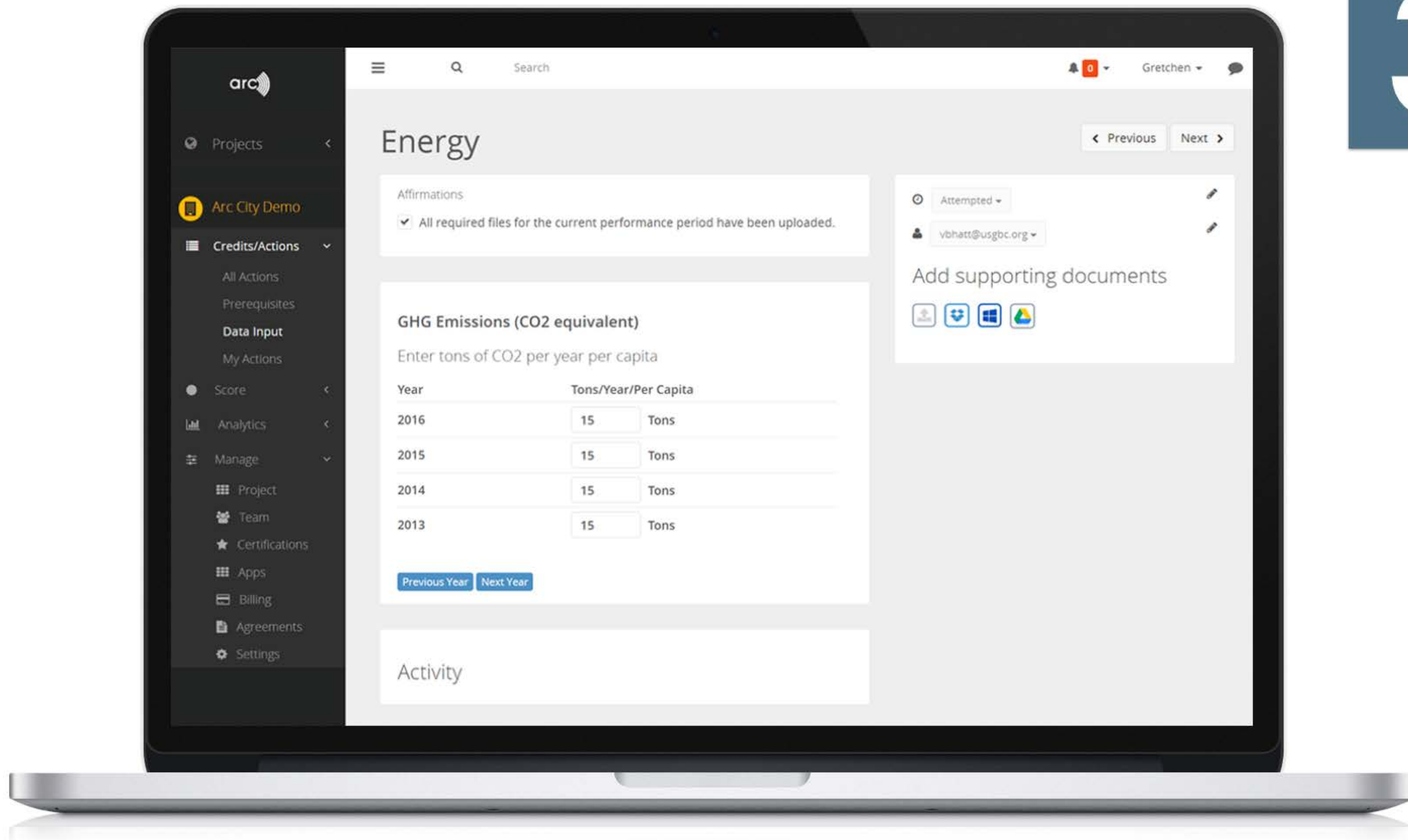
# PRECERTIFY:

- Commit to track data & measure progress
- Identify city boundaries, governance, and stakeholders
- Share your plans, goals, and strategies for sustainability and quality of life
- Visit [usgbc.org/cityperformance](https://usgbc.org/cityperformance)

# PRECERTIFICATION Elements Explained

- Bring together existing vision, plans, goals and policies in one unified **Roadmap** for preparing to track performance
- Roadmap contains: 1) Short-term and Long-term Goals, 2) Performance tracking metrics, and 3) Strategies to be deployed for achieving actionable performance
- Acts as a unified document for all aspects of the City's performance: energy, water, waste, transportation and human experience
- Include relevant city departments, project teams, and **stakeholders** for developing the roadmap
- Conduct needed **meetings** incorporating stakeholders to prepare the roadmap
- Identify **governance** structure that will enable needed performance tracking







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80+  
PLATINUM



60+  
GOLD



50+  
SILVER



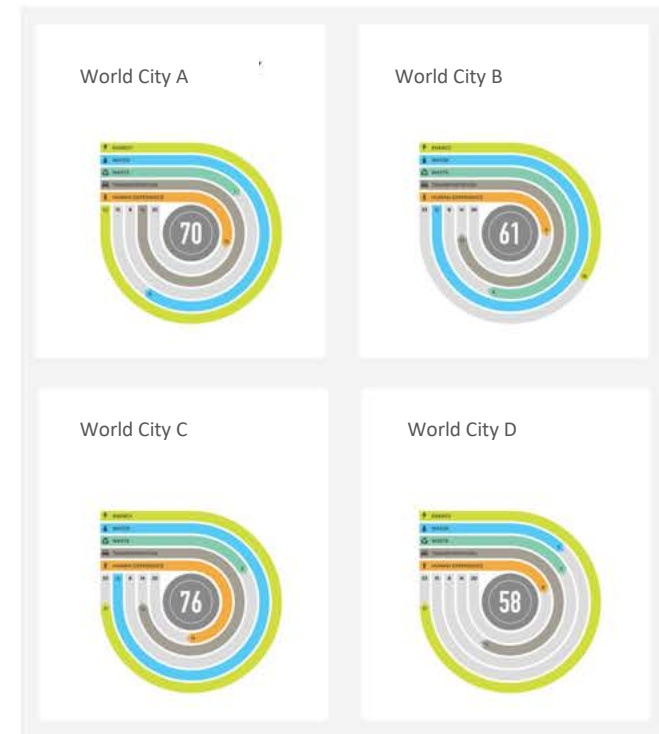
40+  
CERTIFIED



# OPEN & INTEGRATED

## STRATEGIES

LEED, PEER, SITES, WELL,  
EDGE, GRESB, Parksmart, City  
Protocol Society, STAR,  
Bioregional, Climate Positive,  
ICLEI, Carbon Disclosure  
Project, China EcoCity,  
ISO37120 ...



# Active LEED for Cities and Communities

- Certified Cities: Washington DC, Phoenix/AZ, and Savona/Italy
- Certified Community: Arlington County/VA
- PreCertified Community: Songdo International Business District/South Korea and Atlanta International Airport
- Registered: Chicago/IL, Denver/CO, Atlanta/GA, Newark/NJ, Rockefeller Center/NY, San Diego County/CA, Rochester/MN, Schenectady/NY, Hoboken/NJ, Lancaster/PA, Surat/India, Beijing New Airport Economic Zone/China, Meilan Airport Industrial Eco-city in Haikou/China

# Cost

- Registration: \$5000 for non-members, \$2500 for members with Silver level or above
- PreCertification (optional): \$5000 for non-members, \$4000 for members with Silver level or above
- Certification: \$10500 (includes access to Arc for five years and all necessary help in data collection and documentation)
- **Total: Registration + Certification = \$15,500 non-USGBC members; \$13,000 USGBC members with Silver level or above (about \$7/day)**
- Total with PreCertification: Registration + PreCertification + Certification = \$20,500 non-USGBC members; \$17,000 USGBC members with Silver level or above -- If the city wishes to avoid the cost of PreCertification, they can directly go to Certification.



# USGBC Membership Benefits

## Get exclusive access to resources, education & programs

USGBC members receive discounts on everything from LEED registration and certification; fees for other green rating systems, including Parksmart, PEER, SITES and TRUE; Greenbuild registration and exhibition; and education to publications, exams and credential maintenance. To compare: one Silver level membership pays for itself with two LEED certifications or six Greenbuild registrations. Organizational level membership almost pays for itself with one Greenbuild registration.



### Organizational

- ✓ Promote your affiliation with the USGBC member logo & certificate
- ✓ Access savings on Education @USGBC subscription, LEED AP, SITES AP, TRUE Advisor, WELL AP & Greenbuild registration
- ✓ Receive unlimited access to members-only resources for all of your employees
- ✓ Stay Informed with Member Only Insider Updates

**\$300/year**



### Silver

All Organizational benefits plus:

- ✓ Silver badge in online member directory
- ✓ 30 hours of Education @USGBC subscription
- ✓ Savings on LEED certification & registration
- ✓ Savings on Parksmart, PEER, SITES and TRUE registration & certification
- ✓ Savings on Greenbuild Expo space
- ✓ Three complimentary course reviews

**\$1,500/year**



### Gold

All Silver benefits plus:

- ✓ Gold badge in online member directory
- ✓ 150 hours of Education @USGBC subscription
- ✓ Savings on LEED volume
- ✓ Gold customer support services
- ✓ Specialized promotional opportunities & recognition

**\$5,000/year**



### Platinum

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- ✓ Platinum badge in online member directory
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# LET'S GET STARTED!