

## Good Design is Sustainable Design

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**G**PD Group, chosen as the #1 design firm in Ohio by Builders Exchange Magazine, is an architectural and engineering firm that is fast becoming a leader in sustainable design. A member of the U.S. Green Building Council since 2004, GPD currently has 29 LEED® Accredited Professionals on staff in every discipline of design, project experience, and internal practices.

“Our philosophy is that good design is sustainable design” states GPD Group President, David Granger. “We have been engineering sites and designing buildings with the environment in mind for years.” Whether the client’s objective is LEED certification or improving the operating performance of the project, GPD provides options that reduce materials and waste, improve air quality, reduce electric, gas, and water usage, and protect the environment in which the project is located. GPD Group’s policy is to present design strategies along with cost and payback information to our clients and incorporate those ideas that make sense financially.

Additionally, GPD Group demonstrates its commitment to the environment by incorporating environmentally conscious practices in our own business operations. In 2007, GPD launched a Green Team to gather ideas and implement solutions within our six offices that reduce waste and save energy. Recently, GPD launched a Sustainable Design Team to drive the process and organization and provide support on LEED projects.

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