

What is an EarthCraft House?

The EarthCraft House Program is a voluntary green building program that serves as a blueprint for healthy, comfortable homes that reduce utility bills and protect the environment. Any size and type of home can be an EarthCraft house by following the technical guidelines in this program. The guidelines are flexible enough to allow for a variety of approaches to environmental construction. The program was created in 1999 as a partnership between the Greater Atlanta Home Builders Association and Southface Energy Institute. It became a statewide program in Virginia in 2005.

Energy Efficiency & Comfort

Over time, Energy Star appliances pay for themselves by reducing a homes energy bills by 30-50%

Value to buyer:

Lower operating costs, and a more comfortable living environment.

Durability & Maintenance

Building products that last longer and help reduce the time you spend making your home look good.

Value to buyer:

Higher construction quality equals reduced maintenance.

Efficient Design & Materials

Conserves trees and other natural resources while reducing landfill space.

Value to buyer:

Feeling good about enhancing the outdoor environment.

Healthy House

In terms of pollution, every EarthCraft house built is equal to taking one car off the road.

Value to buyer:

A healthier place to live.

