



USGBC Green Education Center

Baltimore, MD

The Challenge

Ziger/Snead provided pro-bono services in collaboration with Building Design + Construction Magazine, students from the School of Architecture + Planning at Morgan State University, and multiple industry sponsors to design a 14x43-foot prefabricated modular facility. A collaborative process involved coordination of a diverse team to meet the needs for the project's multiple clients: PPF, BD+C, and the product manufacturers. The design solution successfully fulfilled program and logistic needs for the project's two deployments as temporary exhibit at Greenbuild and permanent meeting space on the campus. Students from Morgan State University contributed through a design charrette, seminar course, scholarship and internship, and an independent study.

The Solution

Designed to LEED standards, the 14' x 43' Green Education Center provides flexible educational space for workshops, training programs, and community activities that further the non-profit mission of the Parks & People Foundation. The modular building was designed to be transported for exhibition at the USGBC's Greenbuild conference in Washington, DC as a demonstration building before being permanently sited on the non-profit's 9-acre urban campus in a Baltimore City park. At Greenbuild, the structure was set up to allow guests to learn more about the installed products and systems, many of which were donated by sponsors. The modular structure's massing and exterior complement the new headquarters while providing a contemporary counterpoint to a historic Stone House and Carriage House, all located on the restored site.