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## **AIA 2030 COMMITMENT**

Antunovich Associates has signed on to the 2030 Challenge, which targets carbon-neutral construction for all new buildings and major renovations by the year 2030.

As part of our efforts to meet this goal, we formed the Sustainability Committee. This committee's goal is to develop a framework to support and encourage the firm's sustainability efforts. Our first task is developing the Sustainability Action Plan which reinforces our determination towards creating healthy environments. The Sustainability Action Plan outlines the firm's strategies and commitment toward meeting sustainable goals of the 2030 Challenge.





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## ***FIRM COMMITMENT***

At Antunovich Associates we recognize the influence our work has on the earth and its inhabitants. It is our responsibility to develop environmentally conscious and sustainable architecture. We prioritize energy performance as a design criteria to help us work toward achieving carbon neutral buildings, developments and renovations. Our approach to creating sustainable buildings is a collaborative process with the client, consultants, community, and contractors. Our “hands-on” holistic approach to design and the implementation of our work leads to successful projects that are innovative, sustainable, and reflect the needs and requirements of our clients.







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## DESIGN & APPROACH

With sustainable principles integrated into Antunovich Associates' design process, we aspire to help our clients realize their goals through a collaborative process with energy conservation as a guiding principle.

- At the outset of a new project, we develop a basis of design that establishes measurable sustainability goals. This informs decisions that will be made through the course of a project, including resource allocation by the owner and their selected general contractor, as well as aligning ourselves with project team consultants who offer forward-thinking input and assist in accomplishing energy conservation and reduction goals.
- After early discussions with all stakeholders are complete and project goals are set, we focus on design practices relating to passive measures that reduce energy usage by carefully studying the project site and its influence on the proposed building.
- We then incorporate thoughtful sustainable principles into the selection of lower carbon footprint materials and develop energy models to study their impact on the performance of the building.
- These values continue to influence the documentation phases of the building and shape best-practices that inform future design strategies.





## EVALUATION & REPORTING

At Antunovich Associates we strive to implement sustainable strategies into every design. We will apply metrics to measure and assess building performance. Results will inform and improve future designs and sustainability impact. We pledge to report at least one project annually that aligns with the goals of the 2030 Commitment

- Report on select projects to the AIA 2030 Design Data Exchange (DDx).
- Track renovation projects versus new construction.
- Post occupancy evaluation

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## **TRAINING & EDUCATION**

Antunovich Associates is committed to investing time and resources to educate its staff on the importance of sustainable design. Given the advancement of energy codes, sustainable design has evolved from an ethical decision to a legal obligation – so the firm understands the value of this investment. Some ways in which the firm supports its staff's growth in sustainable design disciplines are as follows:

- Facilitate weekly lunch presentations which include a wide range of sustainability topics to explore and implement on the firm's projects.
- Budget time and expenses for education outside of the office including professional development activities such as lectures and other industry-wide events.
- Encourage participation in local "green" organizations to foster individual and professional growth and development in the areas of sustainable design.
- Provide paid time-off, cost of attendance, and transportation and lodging at one national professional development event each year.
- Encourage staff to become accredited in professional certification programs such as Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) by affording one paid day off to study and/or sit for a professional exam.
- Cover cost of annual dues and professional affiliations.





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## **OUTREACH, ADVOCACY & KNOWLEDGE SHARING**

The building sector is responsible for the largest percentage of all carbon emissions. Addressing this impact on climate change will require developing a network of like-minded team members that share the same focus and determination. Antunovich Associates recognizes the success of this commitment also relies on sharing what we have learned with our clients, the community and fellow colleagues.

- Utilizing social media channels to generate awareness and support of the 2030 Commitment goals.
- Educate clients by sharing the firm's Sustainability Action Plan and the goals of the 2030 Commitment.
- Understand the client's position on sustainability.
- Explain the benefits of bringing sustainability to the project and pursuing green certification.
- Using Antunovich Associates' quarterly newsletter to share knowledge and accomplishments on sustainability.





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## **OPERATIONS & OUTLOOK**

Antunovich Associates is dedicated to reducing its carbon footprint for each of our offices. We will analyze and align our everyday business operations with our sustainable design goals by setting annual targets that will reduce our impact on the environment.

Currently the following initiatives are in place for improving each office and employee's sustainable commitment.

### **Material:**

- Encourage staff to utilize digital format drawings for markups, communication, and issuances.
- Encourage staff to reduce printing of drawing sets with the eventual goal of eliminating printing of drawing sets.
- Encourage double sided printing.
- Recycle, donate or return material samples.
- Provide recycling bins at every desk.
- Discourage use of plastic utensils and utilize reusable cutlery.
- Provide a refillable water bottle or cup to every employee in order to eliminate use of bottled water.
- Donate/ recycle office electronics or furniture no longer used.

### **Travel:**

- Work from home 2 days a week to reduce office commute.
- Include provisions for virtual conferences as an alternate to business travelling.
- Provide Public Transit benefit.

### **Energy:**

- Require employees to turn off lights when space is not occupied.
- Utilize only LED bulbs.
- Set computers to sleep mode when not in use.
- Utilize only Energy Star Appliances.



PROJECT HISTORY

Antunovich Associates has been utilizing sustainable rating systems on its projects since 1995 when it completed its first LEED Platinum project. Since then, we have achieved 13 LEED Gold, 10 LEED Silver, 20 LEED certified 4 Green Globes, 1 WiredScore and 1 City of Chicago Sustainability Compliance. These projects are summarized below:

