

DESIGN ENGINEERS OFFICES

NET-ZERO INITIATIVE



Net-Zero Design Process

- 1. Site Design
- 2. Envelope Design
- 3. Geothermal HVAC
- 4. Solar Management
- 5. Sensors & Timers
- 6. Photovoltaic Array
- 7. LED Lighting
- 8. Systems Tuning
- 9. Certification

Annual Savings & CO2 Offset

Avoided Energy Cost: \$17,810 Offset CO2: 8.4 homes

Measures & Certifications

LEED Gold Certified Energy Star Rating 98/100 Living Building Challenge:

- Net-Zero Energy Registered



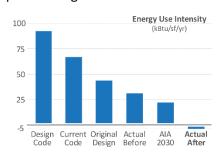


Integrated & Adaptive Design from Day One

Energy-effective buildings use an integrated approach to design, weighing a technology's potential against its impact, up-front cost, and durability to find the best solutions as they arrive.

The path to our net zero energy office began with the fundamentals of good design. The building size and orientation maximize north and south glazing, sun shades minimize summer heat gain and maximize winter heat gain, while light shelves direct illuminate the core of the building. A geothermal HVAC system exchanges heat from the earth while heat pumps manage air distribution for combustion-free heating and cooling. An energy recovery unit recaptures heat and moisture typically lost to venting while pre-treating fresh air.

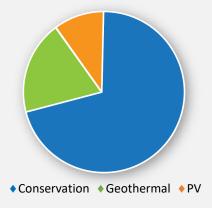
Fine tuning improvements to our HVAC and lighting systems coincided with the installation of a 6,500-sf, 103 kW photovoltaic array on the roof. Hidden from view and silent, it is offsetting 100% of the office's energy use, qualifying the office for Net Zero Energy certification.



Net-Zero Building Meets Four-Season Climate

The array creates more power in summer than winter and is grid-tied to our utility provider. This flexible relationship helps even-out seasonal utility loads while minimizing system complexity.





Net-Zero Systems Diagram

- 103 kW Solar Panel Array 360 Panels, 6 Inverters 180 Optimizers
- Heat Pump Network Zoned water-to-air pump
- Light Shelves & Sun Shades Interior & exterior harvesting
- LED Lighting Conversion Under 0.36W/sf

- Geothermal HVAC Vertical Ground-heat **Exchangers**
- 4 Energy Recovery Total Energy Recovery Unit
- 6 Occupancy Sensors Ultra-sonic & Infra-red
- 8 Direct Digital Controls Individual, room-adjustable