THESE FRAMEWORKS CAN HELP DO THE HEAVY LIFTING.

Framework for Design Excellence

American Institute of Architects

Best Timing: Throughout design

- Use the Designing for **Equitable Communities** section to promote activities that address social equity.
- Choose from a long list of best practices or a shorter list of high-impact actions.

aia.org

LEED Project Team Checklist for Social Impact

U.S. Green Building Council

Best Timing: Throughout design, into construction

- Answer detailed questions about stakeholders, the surrounding community, and the project team.
- · Determine whether each question is relevant to the project, and follow through on those that are.

usgbc.org/resources

B Corp

B Lab

- Assess your company using a free online tool and potentially achieve B Corp certification.
- · Measure impacts in four categories: governance, workers, community, and environment.

bcorporation.net

Just label

International Living Future Institute

- Gauge your social justice performance in 22 categories, such as gender equity and worker happiness.
- Consider publishing your label online to increase transparency.

justorganizations.com



Social Equity Frameworks for the Building



 $\star\star\star$ **RATING SYSTEMS & CERTIFICATIONS**

PROGRAMS FOR

INTERNAL USE



500 Cities

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

Best Timing: Pre-design

- Choose a city on this interactive map and assess localized health and wellness issues.
- Consider design features that help address health-related inequities.

cdc.gov/500cities

Native Land Map

Native Land Digital

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Best Timing: Pre-design

- Enter a location into this interactive map to discover which indigenous groups' unceded lands the project is located on.
- · Raise awareness and consider inclusion of indigenous tribes as stakeholders.

native-land.ca

CEEQUAL

Building Research Establishment

Best Timing: Throughout design, into construction

- Consider the environmental and social impacts of civil engineering and landscaping projects.
- Choose from a variety of credits associated with social impacts and benefits.

ceequal.com

Living Building Challenge

International Living Future Institute

Best Timing: Throughout design

- Meet requirements that advance social equity and community engagement.
- Achieve imperatives like Human-Scaled Living, Universal Access, and Inclusion.

living-future.org/lbc4

RELi

Green Business Certification Inc.

Best Timing: Throughout design

- · Build in features that increase environmental and social resilience.
- Choose from a variety of credits addressing social equity in building design as well as hiring practices.

usgbc.org/resources

LEED

U.S. Green Building Council

Best Timing: Throughout design

- Select from a variety of credits, including three pilot credits, promoting social equity.
- Choose High-Priority Site, Social Equity within the Community, Social Equity within the Supply Chain, or Social Equity within the Project Team.

leeduser.buildinggreen.com

SEED

SEED Network

Best Timing: Throughout design and construction, and during occupancy

- Use the SEED Evaluator to assess and promote social, economic, and environmental aspects of design.
- Pursue third-party certification for design, construction, or occupancy.
- Identify priority issues, determine how they will be addressed, and set metrics for success.
- Potentially achieve the LEED pilot credit Social Equity within the Community.

seednetwork.org



Learn more about EDI in our two-part series:

Re-forming the Building Industry: Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion Equity in Design and Construction: Seven Case Studies

Opportunity 360 Toolkit

Enterprise Community Partners

Best Timing: Throughout design

• Assess opportunities using an

Select from tools designed to

aid community engagement.

• Find local partners by zip code.

community-scale benchmarks

enterprisecommunity.org

• Evaluate success using

and metrics.

interactive map.

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