

Green Leaders: Two Trails and MyGreenBuildings

Two Trails, Inc. – Two Trails, Inc. is a Sarasota-based company owned by Drew and Debbie Smith that specializes in green building consulting. Two trails works with builders, developers, communities, and homeowners to help them build or develop a green project. The company also provides healthy home consulting.

One of the notable projects that Two Trails is supporting is Kanaya, a 35-unit condominium on Orange Avenue. Kanaya is the first multi-family, multi-story complex to be certified by the Florida Green Building Coalition. Learn more about Kanaya at www.kanayacondos.com or see the article on page 92 in this month's edition of *Positive Change*.

Two Trails assists many reputable builders including Vision Homes, Lee Wetherington Homes, Marc Rutenberg Homes, DCI Homes, Bruce Williams Homes, Eslinger Homes, Gibraltar Homes, Home Front Homes, Mercedes Homes, Neal Custom Homes, Rampart Homes, and others.

Drew Smith and Two Trails was recognized with the Sarasota Audubon Society's 2006 Environmental Business Award Certificate of Merit.

One of the innovative services provided by Two Trails is Green Building University (GBU), a unique online education program offering specialty information

for builders, developers, consultants, educators, sales professionals, and technicians interested in green building concepts and applications. GBU currently offers six courses and you can review each course and register online at www.greenbuildinguniversity.com.

Learn more about Two Trails by visiting www.twotrails.net.

MyGreenBuildings – MyGreenBuildings hosted a number of business and civic leaders recently at an open house of a rebuilt green home at 1876 Goldenrod Street. The two-bedroom, one-bath Spanish cottage was rebuilt into a three-bedroom, energy efficient luxury home.

Some of the green products and systems featured include reclaimed pavers, a Florida-friendly yard, efficient wall systems with a 280 miles per hour rating, reclaimed doors, eco-flush toilets that save thousands of gallons of water annually, solid surface flooring for cleaner



living, sustainable counters and trim, vanities made from reclaimed pallets, energy star appliances, rain barrels for water reclamation, zero and low VOC paints, sealers, caulks, and adhesives, paperless drywell, energy star windows, soy-based sprayed insulation, active solar water heating, on-demand hot water recirculation system, and more.

Learn more about the home and the builder by calling Steve Ellis at 941-928-7991.

Volunteer Recognition – Keep Sarasota County Beautiful is seeking applicants for its annual recognition awards to honor individuals who help keep the county free of pollution and litter. Volunteers will be honored for their efforts to protect, beautify and enhance buildings, garden, and other places. Learn more by calling 941-861-5000 or visiting www.scgov.net.

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