

LEED TOUR

Point of View (POV) International Retreat & Research Center

1. TRANSPORTATION: Mason provides alternative transportation infrastructure, including bike racks, to encourage carbon-free transportation to our campuses and facilities.

2. ENERGY: In order to reduce Mason's energy usage and carbon footprint, this building uses 44% less energy than the average building due to a high-efficiency HVAC system, energy efficiency appliances, use of natural sunlight, and LED lighting.

3. RECLAIMED MATERIALS: More than 5% of the material used in the construction of this building came from recycled materials. This reduces the demand for harvesting new materials and promotes recycling and repurposing of used materials. The wood floor in this room was reclaimed from the original home built on the property.

4. WATER BOTTLE REFILL STATION: The refill stations promote waste reduction by allowing the community to enjoy filtered water with their reusable water bottles. Check out the counter to see how many disposal water bottles have been diverted from use.

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6. RAIN GARDEN: In order to reduce polluted water from entering the Chesapeake Bay, storm water runoff has been reduced at this site. Innovative landscaping and rain garden placement aid in absorbing rainwater.

7. WATER EFFICIENCY: This building has reduced water consumption by 35% due to the use of water efficient plumbing fixtures, including low flow showerheads. This helps reduce Mason's water usage and wastewater production.

For more information about sustainability at Mason, please visit [GREEN.GMU.EDU](https://www.gmu.edu/green)

