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contractor requirements from just installing equipment to providing strategies for supporting long term operations.

[Survey: 78% say cost savings is best reason to go green](#)

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[Buck Consultants'](#) survey reveals 78% of U.S. businesses consider cost savings as the leading reason for green programs, with goodwill and employee morale following at 58% and 56%, respectively. Common green practices include recycling (97%), teleconferencing (95%), and light sensors (75%).

[Citizen's Committee to help city reduce GHG's](#)

mydesert.com - Apr 29

Nine people were picked for Palm Desert's Citizen's Sustainability Committee to help the city figure out how to meet California's greenhouse gas reduction goals. The group will work on a plan to guide officials as they work out how to implement the city's [Environmental Sustainability Plan](#).

[SD Port features "green" color-shifting coating](#)

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The Port of San Diego's new \$28 million cruise ship terminal features color-shifting [Duranar VARI-Cool coatings](#) to help buildings stay cooler and change color depending on how light refracts off their surface.

[Bonds funding green projects](#)

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In 2010, green bonds totaled \$3.5 billion globally. A Barclays/Accenture says green bonds could provide \$2 trillion of the capital to meet Europe's carbon-reduction goals by 2020.

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[Brower Center earns LEED Platinum](#)

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[Tyndall Fitness earns LEED Platinum](#)

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