

## **2021** Building **Performance Analysis** Conference

Building Type: Residential Care Center Total Floor Area: 75,000 ft2

Location: Puerto Rico

Total Site Energy Usage

1,555,372

# The Planeteers **ASHRAE LowDown Showdown**



### **21** kBtu/ft2

#### Source EUI (with PV)

## -13.4 kBtu/ft2

#### Total Operational Carbon (with PV)

kgCO2e / ft2

#### Total Energy Storage Capacity

**1,700** kBtu

#### Annual Water Usage

## 2,500,000 Gallons

#### Annual Energy Costs

-\$1.16\$/ft2



### **PROJECT DESCRIPTION**

There are four foundational goals for this proposal: 1) minimize the carbon footprint for the development both from the construction and operational side; 2) maximize the use of passive design strategies to increase the thermal, visual, and air quality experience of the space; 3) use of next-generation materials to develop low-maintenance, resilient solutions; 4) use of landscape and building articulation to engage with the community at large.

### **CARBON FOOTPRINT**

The project employs integrated design strategies and advanced materials to deliver a high-quality environment. The exterior shading elements are designed to reduce direct solar gains and are made from an innovative nanofiber membrane, which acts as moisture pump. Activated by solar energy, the membrane is highly hygroscopic and has the potential to bring Relative Humidity from 90% to 60% range. Thermal mass is used through earth tubes which lower the operative temperature during they day. The use of concrete has been limited to few applications, and it relies on future developments of carbon-sequestering materials.



#### **PASSIVE DESIGN APPROACH (ASHRAE ADAPTIVE COMFORT)**





#### **CUMULATIVE CARBON EMISSIONS**







#### Team

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#### **PREFABRICATION OF SYSTEMS**



**ENTRANCE VIEW** 



**VIEW OF THE COURTYARDS** 





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