



Stalco Construction at the forefront of green construction in Suffolk and Nassau counties

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As environmentally responsible design, construction and property management practices become mainstream, one Long Island builder has emerged at the forefront of Green construction. Islandia, NY-based Stalco Construction, an \$80-million general contracting and construction management firm, has built some of the most innovative projects in the Greater New York area, including numerous LEED-certified projects in Suffolk and Nassau Counties.

"LEED certification is a fairly complex and time-consuming process that requires close collaboration of all members of the project team, including the owner, architect, builder, subcontractors and site personnel," said Kevin Dunathan, Stalco's vice president of operations. "It is crucial for the general contractor or construction manager to become involved in the project early on, in order to assist the design team with technical advice on both equipment and material alternatives and their impact on construction and facility operations costs."

Dunathan also stresses the importance of selecting subcontractors experienced in building LEED-certified projects. "The selected vendors must not only possess the necessary expertise to perform work according to LEED requirements, but also have the administrative capability to process the paperwork required for the application procedures."

Examples of Stalco's recent green projects include the 7,000 s/f Scully Estate Suffolk County Environmental Education and Interpretive Center in Islip, designed by Peter Caradonna Architects and currently in the LEED Silver CS 2.0 certification process. Another recent project was the \$1 million, Sidney B. Bowne & Son-designed Tanner Park Beach Pavilion Complex, the first municipal building in the Town of Babylon built according to LEED specifications, which received the LEED Silver rating.

Stalco is also currently serving as general contractor for the massive, \$20 million, 176,000 s/f expansion and renovation program for the Three Village School District that encompasses four schools. All projects within the program, designed by John A. Grillo, Architect, PC, comply with The Collaborative for High Performance Schools (CHPS) guidelines.

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