

# THRIVE HOME BUILDERS A TWELVE-TIME WINNER OF THE DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY GRAND AWARD IN HOUSING INNOVATION

Energy-efficient building pioneer recognized for ninth consecutive year

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Denver-based <u>Thrive Home Builders</u> is now a 12-time Grand Award winner in the U.S. Department of Energy's (DOE) Housing Innovation Awards. The award recognizes U.S. builders deemed experts in the field of high-performance, energy-efficient homebuilding and whose homes meet the rigorous technical requirements specified by the DOE's Zero Energy Ready program.

Thrive received the Grand Award in the Single-Family Home category for its Zero Energy Revive model, a 3,393-square-foot, five-bedroom, four-and-a-half-bathroom home located within the master-planned community of Central Park, formerly known as Stapleton, in Denver. The Revive plan is part of Thrive's <u>Vitality Collection</u> of homes priced starting at just over \$1 million.

"It's never been more important to build healthy, energy-efficient homes that are priced for families," said Thrive Home Builders CEO Gene Myers. "Despite the difficulties of the past year, our team truly believes that we need to make our communities and world a better place."

Both Thrive and its pioneering founder Gene Meyers have been recognized since the DOE founded the Housing Innovation Awards in 2013. As one of the largest builders of Zero Energy Ready homes in the country, Thrive is known for its industry-leading, LEED-certified, Zero Energy Ready homes throughout metro Denver.

Vitality is a collection of 39 Zero Energy homes that incorporate cutting-edge, zero energy building techniques with uncompromised functional and authentic design resulting in zero-carbon, all-electric, LEED Platinum-certified, Indoor airPLUS-qualified, solar-powered single-family homes.

"Thrive Home Builders and its fellow winners are leading a major housing industry transformation that improves the way Americans live by substantially reducing or eliminating utility bills, ensuring engineered comfort way beyond traditional homes, protecting health with a comprehensive package of indoor air quality measures, and helping owners maximize the largest investment of their lifetime," said Sam Rashkin, former Chief Architect at the U.S. Department of Energy's Building Technologies Office.

Built in collaboration with Pro Builder Magazine and EEBA, the Energy & Environmental Building Alliance, the Revive Model Home is referred to as "The Ultimate Z.E.N. (Zero Energy Now) Home." Pro Builder Magazine followed and reported on the construction of this home and ultimately

featured the <u>home on the cover of its October 2020 issue</u>. The home was the featured attraction during EEBA's 2021 High-Performance Summit in Denver.

Only a select group of the top builders in the country meet the extraordinary levels of excellence and quality specified by the U.S. Department of Energy, but as the market for residential zero energy (ZE) buildings continues to grow across the United States, Thrive is leading the way.

#### **About Thrive Home Builders**

Thrive Home Builders has been a leader in the design and construction of energy-efficient homes since 1992. Thrive has long been recognized as a pioneer in zero energy building, and the company is repeatedly recognized by industry associations for its sustainable construction of single-family homes and rowhomes. The company continues to lead the homebuilding industry into the next frontier by building well-crafted homes that promote both energy efficiency and homeowners' wellness. Every home is built LEED certified, Indoor airPLUS qualified and solar powered, and Thrive is the largest builder of Zero Energy Ready homes in the country. Its award-winning homes are available throughout Denver and its suburbs. For more information, visit www.thrivehomebuilders.com.

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