



# Green is Good in Charlotte

## Frequently Asked Questions

### 1. So what exactly is a David Weekley EnergySaver™ home in Charlotte?

We combined the benefits of building science research with the Gold Level requirements for the *Environments For Living*® program.

### 2. What is *Environments For Living*?

The *Environments For Living*® program provides a rigorous set of requirements for home builders who've made a commitment to go the extra mile. It's a program that treats a home as a "system of systems" that work together, with limited guarantees on comfort and heating and cooling energy use. A home built under the *Environments For Living* program is an energy-efficient home that has been constructed using the principles of building science – homes that offer energy efficiency, indoor environmental quality and durability benefits.

### 3. Why did David Weekley Homes choose the *Environments For Living* program?

There are so many claims to being green, so we felt that a national program with a great reputation, backed by an energy usage guarantee, would be the right choice and be more credible to our Homebuyers and Homeowners.

### 4. Why did you specifically choose the *Environments For Living* Gold Level?

It's a win-win-win for everyone: us, you – our Customers, and the environment! Approximately 80% of all environmental damage is caused by energy production and consumption. If we reduce the amount of energy needed, there is less damage to the environment. Less energy needed for our homes means less money (or fewer dollars) out of your pocketbook!

### 5. How much better are homes at the Gold Level?

Homes in Charlotte at the *Environments For Living* Gold Level are on average 34% more energy efficient than a home built in 2006.

### 6. What is the *Environments For Living* guarantee?

Each home that closes will be given a certificate that indicates the average yearly maximum energy usage for heating and air conditioning (only) to be guaranteed by *Environments For Living*. This will vary based on the size, number of windows, etc. per home.

### 7. What if I exceed the average yearly maximum for heat and air conditioning usage?

If you exceed the guarantee, *Environments For Living* will take a look at the situation. If there is no issue, they will reimburse the difference, as long as you have complied with the terms of the *Environments For Living* guarantee.

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