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# Best In American Living Award

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CENTRAL (REGION 5) & SILVER FOR BEST ATTACHED HOME 20 UNITS PER ACRE AND OVER

# Creating housing lofts



**Fronting on the newly refurbished Midtown Greenway** bike trail in Minneapolis, these lofts provided new housing and gave a new look to this former industrial site. The units have north and south exposure, with south-facing two-story windows, rooftop decks and main floor enclosed patios.

Each buyer chooses the style — traditional or contemporary — best suited for his needs. Hardwood and carpet flooring with finished ceilings and crown molding characterize the traditional look. Sealed concrete flooring, exposed ductwork and less separation between rooms characterize the contemporary look, which 70 percent of the buyers prefer.

**Category:** Best Attached Home 20 units per acre and over

**Project Name:** Midtown Lofts

**Location:** Minneapolis, Minn.

**Designer/Architect:** ESG Architects, Inc., Minneapolis, Minn.

**Builder:** Kraus-Anderson, Minneapolis, Minn.

**Interior Designer:** Lander Group, Minneapolis, Minn.

**Developer:** Lander Sherman, Minneapolis, Minn.

**Land Planner:** Michael Lander, Minneapolis, Minn.


Gold



SMART GROWTH

 **Category:** Best Urban Smart Growth Neighborhood/Community  
**Project Name:** West River Commons  
**Location:** Minneapolis, Minn.  
**Designer/Architect:** DJR Architects, Minneapolis, Minn.  
**Builder:** Shaw-Lundquist Associates, Inc., St. Paul, Minn.  
**Interior Designer:** Lander Group, Minneapolis, Minn.  
**Developer:** Lander Group, Minneapolis, Minn.  
**Land Planner:** Lander Group, Minneapolis, Minn.

  
**Category:** Best Urban Smart Growth Neighborhood/Community  
**Project Name:** Chatham Square  
**Location:** Alexandria, Va.  
**Designer/Architect:** Lessard Group, Vienna, Va.  
**Builder:** Eakin/Youngentob Associates, Arlington, Va.  
**Interior Designer:** Model Home Interiors, Beltsville, Md.  
**Developer:** Eakin/Youngentob Associates, Arlington, Va.  
**Land Planner:** Lessard Group, Vienna, Va.



  
**Category:** Best Suburban Smart Growth Neighborhood/Community  
**Project Name:** Belvoir Family Housing  
**Location:** Fort Belvoir, Va.  
**Designer/Architect:** Torti Gallas and Partners, Silver Spring, Md.  
**Builder:** Clark Realty Builders, LLC, Fort Belvoir, Va.  
**Interior Designer:** Torti Gallas and Partners, Silver Spring, Md.  
**Developer:** Clark Realty Builders, LLC, Fort Belvoir, Va.  
**Land Planner:** Torti Gallas and Partners, Silver Spring, Md.



Silver



COMMUNITY

-  **Category:** Best Neighborhood 151 units and over
-  **Project Name:** Chatham Square
- Location:** Alexandria, Va.
- Designer/Architect:** Lessard Group, Vienna, Va.
- Builder:** Eakin/Youngentob Associates, Arlington, Va.
- Interior Designer:** Model Home Interiors, Beltsville, Md.
- Developer:** Eakin/Youngentob Associates, Arlington, Va.
- Land Planner:** Lessard Group, Vienna, Va.

SMART GROWTH



- Category:** Best Smart Growth Community up to and including 150 units
- Project Name:** Waterstreet Brownstones & Vinestreet Lofts
- Location:** Des Moines, Iowa
- Designer/Architect:** Swenson Graham Architects, Minneapolis, Minn.
- Builder:** The Hansen Company, Johnson, Iowa
- Interior Designer:** Lander Group, Minneapolis, Minn.
- Developer:** Lander Sherman, Minneapolis, Minn.
- Land Planner:** Lander Group, Minneapolis, Minn.



- Category:** Best Smart Growth Community 151 units and over
- Project Name:** Issaquah Highlands
- Location:** Issaquah, Wash.
- Developer:** Port Blakely Communities, Inc., Issaquah, Wash.
- Land Planner:** Calthorpe Associates, Berkeley, Calif.



- Category:** Best Urban Smart Growth Neighborhood/Community
- Project Name:** Othello Station
- Location:** Seattle, Wash.
- Designer/Architect:** WRT Solomon ETC, San Francisco, Calif.
- Builder:** Walsh Construction Company, Seattle, Wash.
- Developer:** Seattle Housing Authority, Seattle, Wash.
- Land Planner:** WRT Solomon ETC, San Francisco, Calif.