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Anita Devora
Executive Director
Build San Antonio Green

Devora has served as the executive director of Build San Antonio Green (BSAG), San Antonio's Residential Green Building Program, since February 1, 2006. Previously, she served as the executive director for Solar San Antonio. Prior to Solar San Antonio, Devora worked as program associate at the Texas Engineering Experiment Station after working for general contractor E.E. Roberts Inc for five years in San Antonio. Devora holds a bachelor's in sociology from Our Lady of the Lake University.

She has served on the advisory committee for the Mayor's Task Force on Sustainability, the CPS Energy Green Ribbon Committee and the Mayor's Green Jobs Leadership Council. Devora serves as a representative for the Greater San Antonio Builders Association Board of Directors and serves on the board of directors of Solar San Antonio. In 2009, the Texas Renewable Energy Industries Association awarded her the "Individual Member of the Year" for her work at Build San Antonio Green.

Nicki Marrone, AIA, LEED AP
Project Architect
Alamo Architects

Nicki Marrone is a project architect with Alamo Architects. She contributes to a wide variety of project types, from master planning to designs for rehabilitation and adaptive re-use. Her work currently is focused on K-12 education and institutional projects. Additionally she coordinates the office's sustainability efforts, LEED certification and green building education. Marrone currently serves as a co-chair of the AIA San Antonio Committee on the Environment (COTE), and sits on the board of directors for the San Antonio Chapter of the American Institute of Architects. Marrone holds a Bachelor of Arts and a Bachelor of Architecture from Rice University.

Lanny Sinkin
Executive Director of Solar San Antonio

Lanny Sinkin is executive director of Solar San Antonio. Under his guidance, Solar San Antonio developed and implemented a marketing campaign to encourage the public to "Go Solar!" To date, hundreds of homes and commercial properties have requested Solar San Antonio's assistance. The Bring Solar Home Campaign (BringSolarHome.com) produced more than $3 million in solar sales and added more than 1/2 a megawatt to the CPS Energy distributed generation system. Solar San Antonio works closely with CPS Energy, the City of San Antonio, Bexar County, lending institutions, and the solar industry to expand the adoption of solar in San Antonio. Solar San Antonio is leading the way to a greener future.

Born in San Antonio, Sinkin holds a bachelor's degree from Harvard College, where he also received a Fulbright Scholarship to study in Venezuela. He holds a law degree from the University of Texas at Austin. His legal career has involved litigation to protect the environment and civil rights.

John W. Strybos, P.E.
Associate Vice Chancellor of Facilities
Alamo Colleges

John Strybos has been the associate vice chancellor of facilities for Alamo Colleges since December 2003. He holds both a Master of Business Administration and a Master of Science in Accounting from UTSA. He also holds a degree from Texas College at San Antonio — and a Master of Engineering in Civil Engineering from Rice University at College Station, Texas.

His professional affiliations include membership in the Association of Physical Plant Administrators (APPA), the Society for College and University Planning (SCUP), American Society for Engineering Education (ASEE) and the American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE).

His experience includes more than 28 years of engineering/project management, construction management, and education facility design and construction.

He supervises, establishes and maintains work procedures and guidelines for the operation and maintenance of District Facilities. In his role as director, he interfaces with the college administration and other ACCD departments to ensure proper coordination, monitoring and reporting on the implementation of the $450 million capital improvement project. He has direct responsibility for an annual operating budget of approximately $200 million and 300 personnel.

Strybos builds Habitat for Humanity homes and teaches civil engineering classes at UTSA.

He is an active member with his church, Church University Presbyterian; he and his wife, Melanie, have a 9-year-old daughter.

Erin Zayko, LEED AP BD+C
Senior Sustainability Manager
Lockheed Martin Energy Solutions

Erie is a senior sustainability manager for Lockheed Martin Energy Solutions working in the field of energy management and sustainability for municipal, state, federal and private initiatives. She provides support through the Department of Energy to assist federal agencies in meeting sustainability goals established by legislation and executive order. She works closely with Department of Energy, U.S. General Services Administration, and EPA's ENERGY STAR program to develop and maintain sustainability compliance and reporting tools and regularly trains federal employees in use of EPA's Portfolio Manager, a free energy benchmarking tool. Zayko is an Austin Community College instructor, working on behalf of Austin Energy to help commercial building owners meet the City of Austin's energy disclosure laws. She also supports Lockheed's internal Go Green effort to achieve a 25 percent reduction in carbon emissions, waste and water use by 2012. Zayko is a board member of the U.S. Green Building Council Central Texas Balcones Chapter. She holds a bachelor's in anthropology with a focus in political science from the University of Texas at Austin.