



**Hawai'i Green Business
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Philip K. White & Associates



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Philip K. White & Associates (PKWA), an established Honolulu-based architecture firm, is well-known throughout the islands for its dedication to innovative and environmentally-conscious building design. Founded by Philip K. White in 1984, the firm has developed a reputation for creating beautiful and functional spaces that embrace the way their clients live, work and play.

Long before “green building” became a national trend, Philip K White & Associates began designing homes and office buildings that work in harmony with, not against, nature. The firm was among the first to demonstrate how “green buildings” and “stylish, user-friendly, visually-appealing buildings” do not have to be mutually exclusive.

The PKWA Team

As one of the leading architectural firms in the state, Philip K. White & Associates’ team consists of four licensed architects and four intern architects, including two who are LEED-accredited. By design, the company is small – but mighty. All team members are talented, bright and hard-working with a real passion for what they do, allowing the firm to deliver a high level of service and design excellence.

Green Practices

Well-known in the community for designing homes and buildings that are sustainable, environmentally-sensitive and culturally respectful to the islands, Philip K White & Associates celebrated the grand opening of their new Silver LEED-certified offices at 40 School Street in 2008. With more than 20 years of green experience, Philip K White & Associates took on the task of recycling the building which previously housed the well-known Kaneda’s delicatessen and transformed the once dilapidated structure into a welcoming space which houses their current offices.

Philip K. White & Associates believes not only in building green, but in living green as well. All employees of Philip K White & Associates are encouraged to bike or run to work. The company provides a special bathroom, equipped with a shower and changing area that has been built-in specifically to promote an active, car-free lifestyle.

Green Strategies

The new offices at 40 School Street serve as a “living laboratory” to clients and visitors of the building on how green design features – such as environmentally-conscious flooring, lighting and bathroom fixtures -- can be incorporated into any home.

- **Bicycle storage, shower and changing facility:** While working green employees at Philip K White are also encouraged to *live* green by biking or running to work and exercising on their lunch breaks.
- **Hybrid vehicle/carpool parking:** Special parking stalls are designated for hybrid vehicles and carpool vehicles to encourage clients and employees to use hybrid vehicles or carpool to work and/or meetings.
- **Green housekeeping:** All of 40 School Street’s tenants are encouraged to use green, environmentally-friendly housekeeping products to keep their work space clean.
- **Designed with a view:** Offices were designed to take advantage of building’s great views of Downtown, as well as maximize natural daylight, reducing electricity use. Additionally, outside spaces were incorporated to provide employees with the option to spend time outdoors, getting fresh air.
- **Recycling:** The office is committed to recycling all recyclable materials including newspaper, paper, magazines, cans, plastics and glass, as well as outdated computers and used printer cartridges.
- **Reduce Waste:** Hand dryers were installed in the restrooms and the office uses real dishes, glasses and has a dishwasher in the kitchen to reduce paper waste.