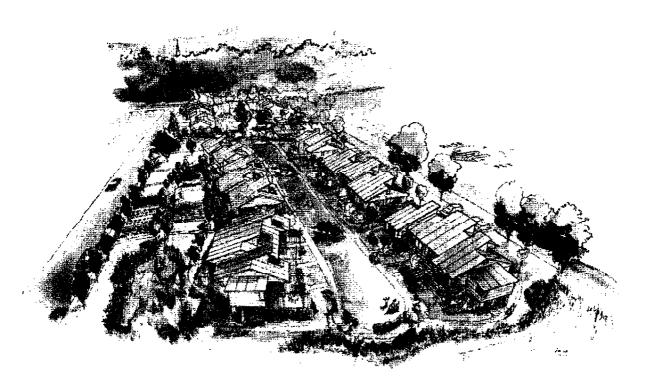
BEREA COLLEGE ECOVILLAGE Berea, Kentucky



An ecovillage is a community whose members try to achieve a high quality lifestyle without taking more from the Earth than they give back. Ecovillages attempt to integrate a supportive social environment with a low-impact way of life. To achieve these aims the design and operation of ecovillages typically include elements of community, ecology and spirituality.

The Berea Ecovillage is an ecologically-sustainable residential and learning complex designed to meet the residential needs of students who are married and/or parents in a manner that supports their academic, work and family responsibilities. The design and operation of the Ecovillage provide residents, visitors and children in the child-care facility with an experiential education in sustainable living.

The Ecovillage consists of: 32 new and 14 remodeled family apartments; a teaching and research child-care facility for 100 children; a "Village Commons" house with shared amenities for the residents, office space, meeting rooms and a catering kitchen; and a Sustainable Living Resource House which will serve as a home for four students and as an outreach and education center for sustainable living.

