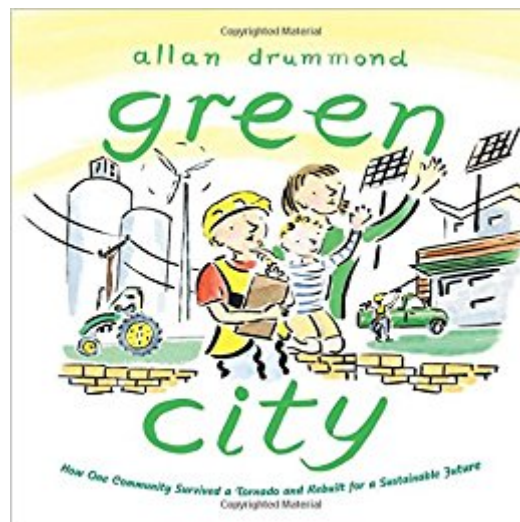




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Green City: How One Community Survived A Tornado And Rebuilt For A Sustainable Future



Synopsis

In 2007, a tornado destroyed Greensburg, Kansas, and the residents were at a loss as to what to do next--they didn't want to rebuild if their small town would just be destroyed in another storm. So they decided they wouldn't just rebuild the same old thing; this time, they would build a town that could not only survive another storm, but one that was built in an environmentally sustainable way. Told from the point of view of a child whose family rebuilt after the storm, this companion to *Energy Island* is the inspiring story of the difference one community can make--and it includes plenty of rebuilding scenes and details for construction lovers, too!

Book Information

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Age Range: 5 - 8 years

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Customer Reviews

“The narrator, a boy in a red T-shirt, jeans, and a green baseball cap, tells the story in an engaging, accessible voice . . . Drummond’s ink-and-watercolor illustrations bustle with detail and activity. Some are full spreads, many are horizontal or vertical panels. An author’s note explains that while Drummond was working on this book, a fire devastated his home, causing him and his family to suddenly face the same challenges as the denizens of Greensburg. Happily, they now live in a house built for the future. An inspiring read-aloud for units on natural disasters or for Earth Day.”
—*School Library Journal*,

starred review – “Smartly laid out with both vertical and horizontal frames that contain small amounts of text, the book allows beginning readers to process the steps in planning and execution while giving them plenty of visual clues for potentially unfamiliar vocabulary. Watercolor illustrations – a vibrant blend of vignettes, full-page art, and double-page spreads – showing the clean-up, planning, and construction reflect the can-do attitude of Greensburg . . . This book is a triumph of both community action and scientific writing. • The Horn Book, starred review – “Without being too technical, [Drummond] weaves in solid information about energy efficiency and sustainability . . . Designed to be a companion to the author/illustrator’s Energy Island, this will be equally welcomed in school and public libraries. • Kirkus Reviews

Author/illustrator Allan Drummond studied at the Royal College of Art. His many books include Energy Island. He previously worked as the Chair of Illustration at the Savannah College of Art and Design. He lives in Suffolk, England.

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GREEN CITY by Allan Drummond is an informational picture book exploring how one community survived a tornado and rebuilt their community. Based on a real event, this inspiring picture book tells the story of the small town of Greensburg Kansas was struck by a tornado. When the community began planning for reconstruction, they decided to build in an environmentally sustainable way including reclaimed lumber, wind-resistant buildings, and green energy sources. Sidebars throughout the book highlight key elements of green construction and sustainable building practices. The book concludes with an author’s note, tips for going green, and source notes. Librarians will find this book to be an excellent introduction to the idea of sustainable communities. Use this book as a springboard for inquiry-based learning. Ask youth to explore an aspect of green construction of interest. Provide access to books focusing on specific practices such as alternative energy sources to jumpstart their investigations. To learn more about the author, go to [...] Published by Farrar, Straus and Giroux, an imprint of Macmillan on March 15, 2016. ARC courtesy of the publisher.

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