Collaborative Design Group was recently recognized by the IIDA Northland Chapter for excellence in interior design at the eighth annual FAB Awards. CDG’s design of the combined St. Paul Fire Department Headquarters and Fire Station No. 1 was given the Excellence in Sustainability award. The FAB Awards celebrate and recognize exceptional design in our community, highlighting design work that is Fresh, Artistic and Brilliant!

2011 FAB AWARD WINNER
Excellence in Sustainability

The Saint Paul Fire Department’s new Headquarters and Administration Office brings new life to the St. Paul Fire Department, as it centralizes functions from several of its aged facilities. Art deco-inspired details complimenting the surrounding neighborhood extend from the exterior throughout the building, bringing a fresh and artistic note to what is often a utilitarian building type. The interiors are filled with natural light, soft textures and neutral hues highlighted with fire-engine red accents, creating bright and brilliant working and living environments. The building blends the vibrant history and tradition of the St. Paul Fire Department with the new facility’s program elements and cutting edge technology. This facility is set to become the first LEED Accredited fire station in Minnesota. The design is not only highly functional, efficient, and flexible for multi-use, but also creates an aesthetically pleasing civic icon that will endure for many generations to come.

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