Where does a design team turn when they're focused on sustainability, flexibility, and a small footprint? Concrete, of course. The designers of the new Fourth& exclusively used concrete and steel in its framing structure, setting a new trend in the area's midrise family developments. The 4-Star Austin Energy Green Building is also the only building in East Austin to offer micro-loft condominiums, small-footprint units slightly larger than a 1-car garage. Fourth& continues its focus on sustainable design with pre-insulated recycled steel panels, rooftop solar panels, and LED lighting throughout.

01. Unique Construction.
Fourth& uses no wood in its construction, only steel and concrete—it's a building with serious attention given to long-lasting materials.

02. Up to Snuff.
The site was formerly used as city warehouse space, and required environmental reclamation to be suitable for the project.

03. Sustainable Urban Parking.
The Fourth& parking garage boasts 349 concrete panels. Lifted into place, the builders installed ten panels per day over a 60-day period.

04. Now that's a Foundation.
The Fourth& foundation used 800,000 pounds of concrete. That's 200 truckloads—just imagine a 3' x 3' block over a mile long.