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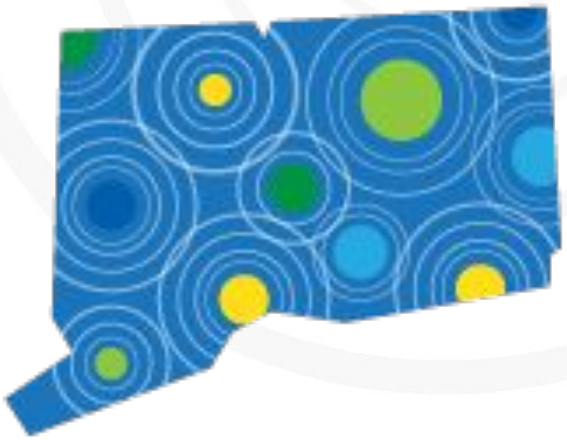

Action Change Summary

2021-2022

2022 Action Revisions: Overview

- Edits made annually
- Reflect feedback from municipalities, reviewers, and staff
- Substantive edits (today)
- Clarifying action edits (today)
- Changes for 2022 and **Beyond** (most likely future meeting)
    - updates and discussion

2022 Substantive Action Revisions:

- **1.2(NEW):** Added sub-action allowing for completion of an equity training not offered by Sustainable CT
- **1.3.1:** Added option to adopt equity statement through Board of Education
- **2.6.2*(NEW)*:** Coordinate with the CT Green Bank, send Economic Development to learn, identify, and outreach to property owners, can earn more points depending on method
- **3.1.1c:** Added requirement to include example of how pledge was disseminated
- **3.2.2:** Removed requirement to modify/adopt complementary regulations to promote watershed protection goals
- **3.2.3**: Removed requirement to successfully complete 3.2.1 and 3.2.2

2022 Substantive Action Revisions:

- **3.4.4b:** Removed *"active"* acquisition program requirement
- **3.6.2:** Changed from 5 pts->10 pts
- **3.10.3a:** Submit a screenshot of the website and a link
- **4.1.1c:** Submit a screenshot and hyperlink
- **4.1.1d (NEW):** Promote the resource through municipal communication channels.
- **4.1.2:** Submit a screenshot and hyperlink, link *relevant* social media to CTVisit
- **4.2.8:** Removed "new" from establishing an Arts District, added Cultural
- **4.2.11:** Sub-action items C & D were consolidated into C

2022 Substantive Action Revisions:

- **5.4.2(NEW):** CRB's are now their own sub-action for 10 points
- **5.6.2:** Worth 20 points
- **5.7.1a:** Removed meeting minutes submission requirement
- **5.7.1c:** Removed "*goals and by laws requirement*", submit work plan and, *if available,* timeline
- **6.4: (NEW):** award points for replacement of emergency vehicles, new points
- **6.6.1:** Worth 20 points from 10, must complete a. and b.
- **6.6.2 (NEW):** 5 points, select one strategy from policy or program and describe how it was implemented
- **7.2.1:** Changed from 50 to 100 points
- **7.2.2:** Changed from 50 to 100 points
- **7.3.1**: Removed equivalent document

2022 Substantive Action Revisions:

- **7.3.2:** Removed language LEED Silver may be submitted each time certification is sought
- **7.3.3:** Removed language LEED Zero may be submitted each time certification is sought
- **7.4:** Changed from 50-100 points
- **7.4.b:** Language awarding points for RECs
- **7.7.c(NEW):** Campaign events determine points for this action, 10 or 15, must complete all
- **8.4:** Added option to submit substantially implemented project
- **8.5.1:** Points are awarded for number of actions collaborated on in 5 point increments
- **8.5.2:** Points for regional partnerships are awarded for number of actions completed in 5 point increments

2022 Substantive Action Revisions:

- **9.1.2:** Changed from 50-100 points
- **9.1.2:** Submit description of actions taken in Worksheet
- **9.2.1c:** Submit new worksheet
- **9.3.1c:** Added requirement to include a description of how materials were distributed to reach significant portion of town residents
- **10.1:** Added “Hunger Action Team” with its purpose must now submit brief description of ongoing activity
- **11.2.3:** Language added *“Funding should represent amount that will meaningfully contribute, funds required by law to be spent are not eligible”*
- **11.3.3:** Language change “allow unrelated people to live in a single household to maximum occupancy limits”
- **11.3.4:** Removed

2022 Clarifying Action Revisions:

- **1.3.1:** *Forming a committee* is not eligible for points
- **2.3:** Name change: Inventory and Promote Local *Products and Services,* retailer to *business*
- **2.3.1:** Must *meaningfully* distribute a *user-friendly* inventory
- **2.6.1:** Clarified that ongoing events and education initiatives can qualify for points
- **3.1.2:** Changed 'Citizen Science' to 'Community-Based Research'
- **3.3.1**: Added project "ideally" as outlined in your Watershed Action Plan
- **3.3.1:** Language *"Invasive species management should be submitted under 3.10"*
- **3.3.2:** Clarified that regulations may also be revised to promote watershed protection
- **3.4.4d:** Submit documentation of fund's existence and amount of funds
- **3.7:** Action name changed to "Provide Education on *Responsible Water Usage"*

2022 Clarifying Action Revisions:

- **3.10.1:** Action name changed to "*Promote* Invasive Species *Management*"
- **3.10.1c:** Clarified that pesticides include fungicides and herbicides referencing 3.11
- **3.10.2:** Action name changed to *Municipal Management*
- **3.10.3:** Renamed action "*Educate Residents on Invasive Species*"
- **3.11.a:** clarified that pesticides include fungicides and herbicides
- **4.2.4:** Clarified "project cost" as at least 1% of capital construction or renovations budget
- **4.2.6:** Removed description of selection process, added "*currently"* appointed
- **4.2.8:** Clarified that it could be a"Cultural" District
- **4.2.10:** Removed submit *"list of arts and culture program offered at library for the year"*

2022 Clarifying Action Revisions:

- **5.1.1:** Removed language asking for hazards to be on “future land use map”
- **5.1:** Added town name for both worksheets
- **5.4.1c:** Revised vulnerable communities (elderly, health risk, refugee, low and moderate income, etc)
- **5.7.1a:** clarified that one person is not suggested to manage competing response roles
- **6.5.5:** Added “electric scooter or segway”
- **6.6.1.b:** Added potential strategies
- **7.2.1:** Clarified Board of Education buildings qualify
- **7.2.1a:** Must successfully complete 7.1.1
- **7.2.2a:** Must successfully complete 7.2.2
- **7.2.1b:** Defined *“normal operations”* due to COVID-19 related energy reductions

2022 Clarifying Action Revisions:

- **7.3.1:** Submit documentation from LP *or* link to URL on Energy star buildings
- **7.4:** Added language relating to renewable energy certificates (RECs)
- **7.4.1:** Must successfully complete 7.1.1
- **7.7:** Defined campaign metrics
- **8.1:** Consolidated submission information
- **8.3:** Training must be on a sustainability topic
- **8.3.1a:** Can send commissioner from *"equivalent body"* to Planning and Zoning
- **8.3.1:** Trainings required by the State of CT are not eligible
- **8.4.1c:** Added language linking IOBY projects
- **8.5:** Language added to clarify what mentorship and regional collaboration are not
- **8.5.2:** Added language *"Regional plans must be adopted by municipality"*

2022 Clarifying Action Revisions:

- **9.1.1:** Clarified language use "*disposed instead of generation", and gathering data from haulers*
- **9.1.1:** Broke up action into 3 pieces that all must be completed, a, b, c
- **9.1.1:** submit one worksheet, references Housing Data Profiles instead of census
- **9.1.1b:** *"only realistic calculations will receive credit"*
- **9.1.1c:** Clarified that data may be shared through municipal social media/other platforms
- **9.1.2:** Complete two worksheets
- **9.2:** Smart changed to "Unit-based Pricing"
- **9.3.1:** Clarified materials to submit and moved resource on state mandated materials to top of action
- **9.3.1:** Swap shops qualify and household hazardous waste collection does not

2022 Clarifying Action Revisions:

- **9.3.1a:** Evidence of implementation can be “other documentation demonstrating ongoing relationship”
- **10.1:** Food Policy Council or Hunger Action Team must be *active*
- **10.1.3:** Clarified language to Community Food *Assessment*
- **10.4:** Added language asking for *highlights of innovative* work done at community garden spaces
- **11.1.1:** Title and “sector” for group
- **11.2.2:** Clarified percent change language

2022 Actions

Homelessness Actions:

- **12.1**
  - Formerly 12.2
  - Clarified language to “liaison” and where to post their information, referencing 12.2
  - Scaled points for training, and receiving points for attending CAN meetings
  - Language asking for collaborative process with CAN to develop task force
  - 12.1.2 submit description of how the missions is aligned with CAN goals

- **12.2**
  - Formerly 12.1
  - Clarified working with the CANs and how to develop web-page and relevant resources
  - Reorganized the important stakeholders, and liaison role for meeting, submit qa summary to CAN and other stakeholders

2022 Actions

Homelessness Actions:

- **12.3**
  - Refined objective language of action
  - Added language about municipal staff helping with data collection
  - Submitting data of individuals experiencing homelessness to us and a description of municipal role in obtaining data to us
- **12.4:** Formerly 12.5
  - Made fundraising and dedicating funding its own action with strategies outlined
  - Condensed action 12.5.3 into .1 and .2
  - Submit a worksheet for 12.5.1
  - Submit a worksheet for 12.5.2
  - Former action 12.4 has been removed and integrated into each action in the homelessness category
  - 12.6 has been removed

2022 Action Revisions: Global Edits

- **For most actions requiring submission of a website, webpage, or other hyperlink** – language standardized to require a “hyperlink and a screenshot of the relevant webpage(s)”
- **For actions that generally ask for an example of outreach/educational/promotional materials disseminated** (exceptions: actions with specific material requirements) – language standardized to require “at least one example from among materials disseminated, which could include flyers, articles, letters, newsletters, presentations, or digital communications. For websites, submit both a hyperlink and a screenshot of the relevant webpage(s).”