



# Sustainable CT Community Certification Report

This is the Sustainable CT Certification Report of Hebron, a Sustainable CT bronze certified applicant.

Hebron was certified on October 03, 2018 with 210 points. Listed below is information regarding Hebron's Sustainable CT efforts and materials associated with the applicant's certified actions.

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## **Actions Implemented**

Each approved action and supporting documentation for which Hebron was approved for in 2018 appears below. Note: Standards for the actions below may have changed and the documentation listed may no longer satisfy requirements for that action. Additionally, points associated with actions prior to 2013 certifications may not be accurate.

## 1. Thriving Local Economies

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### 1.1 Support Redevelopment of Brownfield Sites

20 Points

**Program Summary:** 1.1-2: Map of both active brownfield sites (together on map and separate aeriels). 1.1-3: The town of Hebron owns 501 Church Street and as a result, frequently discusses the property during our Board of Selectman meetings. Attached is the GIS aerial of the property, the property written into our BOS goals, and minutes that include the site. The town does not own 459 Church, but still prioritizes this property by assisting the private owner where possible through grant applications (grant included in 1.1-4) and raising public interest about the historic site. 1.1-4: Additional information for these 2 priority sites. Includes Phase I Environmental study, current and historic photos, future development potential and goals, as well as National History Registry application.

PDF: [1.1-2\\_TWOKNOWNBROWNFIELDPROPERTIES.PDF](#)

PDF: [1.1-4\\_ADDITIONALBROWNFIELDINFO\\_SMALL.PDF](#)

PDF: [1.1-3\\_COMMUNITYPRIORITIZATION.PDF](#)

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### 1.3 Inventory and Promote Local Retail Options

10 Points

**Program Summary:** 1.3-1: Our target sector is restaurants and other establishments to eat in town. This map includes landmarks for directional purposes and eatery listings as well. The criteria for map selection was to include all eating establishments, which showcases the variety of options we have to offer in town.

PDF: [1.3.1\\_RESTAURANTSECTORMAP.PDF](#)

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### 1.6 Participate in and Promote the C-PACE Program

5 Points

**Program Summary:** 1.6-1: Attached is the resolution where the we passed the CPACE program as well as a screenshot of where we link the information on our site.

PDF: [1.6-1\\_CPACE-RESOLUTION.PDF](#)

PDF: [1.6-1\\_CPACE-ONTOWNSITE.PDF](#)

PDF: [HEBRON CGB CPACE MUNICIPALITY AGREEMENT EXECUTED.PDF](#)

## 2. Well-Stewarded Land and Natural Resources

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### 2.1 Provide Watershed Education

10 Points

**Program Summary:** 2.1-1: Hebron's Water Pledge can be found at <https://www.hebrongoesgreen.com/waterpledge/>. The Green Committee focuses on water conservation and water preservation (mostly from a dog waste standpoint) and offers the pledge in their quarterly eNewsletters. We have been able to get almost 15 signatures since starting the pledge! 2.1-2: Attached are two photos. The first is the Miller brothers doing summer baseline monitoring in Raymond Brook with SRWP. This particular brook traverses through the town's Aquifer Protection Area. The second is a page from SRWP's newsletter which shows RHAM's Aquatic and Environmental Science class at Fawn Brook for a bug assessment. The third attachment is our Partnership letter with Salmon River.

PDF: [2.1-2\\_CITIZENSCIENCE\\_RHAM.PDF](#)

IMAGE: [2.1-2\\_CITIZENSCIENCE.JPG](#)

PDF: [SUSTAINABLECT\\_PARTNERSHIP\\_SRW.PDF](#)

IMAGE: [2.1\\_1-PORCIONOFHGCENEWSLETTER.PNG](#)

## 2.3 Engage in Watershed Protection and Restoration

15 Points

**Program Summary:** 2.3-1: Our watershed management goals and objectives are currently included as a section in our POCD. We are a Salmon River Watershed Partnership municipality, and their role in our community is to aid us in protecting, preserving and monitoring our valuable watershed assets. One such way we protect and preserve our watersheds, as stated in our POCD action plan, is through purchasing and preserving open space. The Millstream parcel is a great example of how we executed this part of our plan. The parcel is located within the Town's Future Open Space Greenway Plan and consists of open fields, forests, wetlands and a portion of Raymond Brook. This purchase further continues the Town's efforts in protecting the high water quality of Raymond Brook and the Raymond Brook Marsh. Attached is a portion of the Salmon River Watershed newsletter (completed action plan item on page 2, orange box on the left) which discusses the greenway, as well as documentation of purchase and partner letter. Also attached is our POCD with included watershed action items starting on page 11. This particular property crosses off a few of these action items, such as protecting the Town's Greenway concept, encourage the dedication of open space and conservation easements along corridors of significant value and develop an ongoing quality water monitoring program (this is through Salmon River).

PDF: [2.3\\_1-COMPLETEDACTIONPLANPROJECT.PDF](#)

PDF: [2.3\\_1-PROOFOFPURCHASEMILLSTREAM.PDF](#)

PDF: [2.3\\_1-POCD-WATERSECTION.PDF](#)

PDF: [SUSTAINABLECT\\_PARTNERSHIPSRW.PDF](#)

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## 2.4 Develop an Open Space Plan

15 Points

**Program Summary:** 2.4-2: The table of contents for this PDF acts as a guide on why we prioritize certain resources in Hebron and where to find our future plans to maintain them. 2.4-3: Open space preservation is critical to biodiversity and to maintain the landscape of Hebron, making it a top priority. This PDF outlines a little background as well as current status and our goals for the future. Pages 8-15 of the PDF outline our current Open Space Plan and objectives moving forward. We also have an Open Space/Land Acquisition Committee that keeps these projects moving forward.

PDF: [2.4\\_2-HEBRON\\_PRIORITIZERESOURCES.PDF](#)

PDF: [2.4\\_3-HEBRON\\_OPENSAPCEPRESERVATIONPLAN.PDF](#)

## 2.11 Implement Green Grounds and Maintenance Program

5 Points

**Program Summary:** Hebron has a standard town-wide IPM as well as separate IPMs for our two elementary schools. All 3 are attached. They are implemented by simply updating the information.

PDF: [2.11\\_1-TOWNWIDE-IPM.PDF](#)

PDF: [2.11\\_1-HEBRONELE-IPM.PDF](#)

PDF: [2.11\\_1-GILEADSCHOOL-IPM.PDF](#)

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## 3. Vibrant and Creative Cultural Ecosystems

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### 3.1 Map Tourism and Cultural Assets

5 Points

**Program Summary:** We worked with Jean at CT Visit to update our profile which can be found at: <http://www.ctvisit.com/listings/town-hebron>

## 4. Dynamic and Resilient Planning

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### 4.3 Develop Agriculture-Friendly Practices

25 Points

**Program Summary:** 4.3-2: Information about currently leased farmland including plots, farm name and corresponding paperwork. We don't have high turnover on this land so no opportunity to list on Farmlink yet, but in the past they have been publicly advertised in our local paper if they become available. 4.3-7: Open space fund documentation. Current funding is \$712,454.20. Page 1 shows the amount approved in the FY 18-19 budget = \$75,000 The next page shows the balance in the account as of June 30, 2018 = \$637,454.20. The final two pages show information on the request from OSLAC. 4.3-9: Hebron has 2 community gardens. The first is for residents in our town park, Burnt Hill. The other is for youth volunteers at the Library, and their harvest goes to the Legion Hall's veteran lunches next door. (Library is town owned, not private). The first 4 pages of the PDF show advertising and community garden. Pages 5-14 are the yearly report for the Library community garden.

PDF: [4.3-2\\_LEASEDFARMLAND.PDF](#)

PDF: [4.3-9\\_COMMUNITYGARDEN.PDF](#)

PDF: [4.3-7\\_OPENSFUND.PDF](#)

## 5. Clean and Diverse Transportation Systems and Choices

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### 5.4 Support Zero Emission Vehicle Deployment

5 Points

**Program Summary:** Hebron has 2 EV charging stations. One at Town Hall and the other is at our Senior Center. [https://chargehub.com/en/countries/united-states/connecticut/hebron.html?city\\_id=1833](https://chargehub.com/en/countries/united-states/connecticut/hebron.html?city_id=1833)

IMAGE: [5.4-4\\_EV-RIBBON-CUTTING.JPG](#)

PDF: [5.4-4\\_EV-GRANT.PDF](#)

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### 5.5 Promote Public Transit and Other Mobility Strategies

15 Points

**Program Summary:** 5.5-5: Two vans were purchased through a grant for the town of Hebron to accommodate handicapped riders at the Russell Mercier Senior Center (municipally owned). The Russell Mercier Senior Center is a multi-purpose facility. It is a community resource for information on aging as well as a provider of and conduit to other services available to older adults, including support services for caregivers. Photos of the vans and DMV paperwork attached.

PDF: [5.5\\_5-HANDICAPPEDACCESSIBLEVANS.PDF](#)

## 6. Efficient Physical Infrastructure and Operations

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### 6.8 Implement a Community Energy Campaign

10 Points

**Program Summary:** Hebron Green Committee (a committee of the town) ran the "Solarize Hebron!" campaign in Spring and Summer of 2016. The target audience was single family homeowners in town and the goal was to give homeowners the resources to switch to a renewable energy source. Since the target was single family homeowners, the focus was on a direct mail campaign. We sent out flyers, postcards, and posted signage in town to notify homeowners of the program. Workshops were set up to educate residents on their options and the process. We also set up a booth at the Hebron Fair, Ted's Grocery Store and spoke to residents one-on-one. Our vendor preferred homeowners purchase the systems, which caused a few residents to seek a lease option, so in the future, we might offer both options in order to convert more residents. This was the first campaign of its kind for us, so we didn't have a benchmark to set goals against but in all, 15 systems were installed throughout Hebron! Attached are a couple direct mail pieces as well as the minutes that include the resolution to run the program by the Board of Selectmen.

PDF: [6.8\\_ENERGYCAMPAIGNFLYER.PDF](#)

PDF: [6.8\\_ENERGYCAMPAIGNPOSTCARD.PDF](#)

PDF: [6.8\\_ENERGYCAMPAIGNOVERSIZEDPOSTCARD.PDF](#)

PDF: [6.8\\_ENERGYCAMPAIGNRESOLUTIONBOS.PDF](#)

## 7. Strategic and Inclusive Public Services

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### 7.7 Recycle Additional Materials and Compost Organics

40 Points

**Program Summary:** "Item Breakdown" PDF outlines the 4 non-mandatory items we recycle. The first 3 are at our Transfer Station where we recycle mattresses, electronics and plastics 3, 4, 5 and 7 (only #1 and 2 are mandatory in CT). For plastics PDF, we have a mailer that went to all households and the Hebron Goes Green site with RecycleCT widget. Electronics is on hebronct.com. Mattresses are on hebronct.com as well as byebyemattress.com which is the Mattress Recycling Council's site. The fourth item is a 3-bin composting system at the Library installed by the Green Committee with majority of the funding from the Library. Attached is a photo of final bins, the minutes where the board discussed installation (bottom of page 1) and brochure used to educate on bin usage. It is used for Library lunches, picnics and their garden as well as contribution from buildings next door.

PDF: [7.7-ITEMBREAKDOWN.PDF](#)

PDF: [7.7\\_MATTRESSES.PDF](#)

PDF: [7.7\\_PLASTICS3-4-5-7.PDF](#)

PDF: [7.7\\_LIBRARYCOMPOST.PDF](#)

PDF: [7.7\\_ELECTRONICS.PDF](#)

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### 7.8 Develop a Food Waste Prevention and Food Scraps Recovery Campaign

10 Points

**Program Summary:** Early this year we focused a portion of our waste reduction campaign on composting. Attached is an oversized postcard sent to every household in Hebron. Others were left around town in offices and local businesses. We also spoke at Maple Fest about recycling and composting. The second attachment is the brochure given to people where the Green Committee installs composting bins, which aims to keep everyone on the same page whether you are using a public or private bin in town. Lastly is a screenshot from the Green Committee's website which addresses composting and how to receive further information.

PDF: [7.8\\_COMPOSTINGCAMPAIGNRESIDENTS.PDF](#)

PDF: [7.8\\_TOWNCOMPOSTINGGUIDELINES.PDF](#)

IMAGE: [7.8\\_COMPOSTCAMPAIGNONLINE.PNG](#)

## 8. Healthy, Efficient and Diverse Housing

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### 8.1 Design and Implement a Housing Needs Assessment

10 Points

**Program Summary:** Housing data was presented at a public meeting on August 17, 2018.

PDF: [8AND9\\_HOUSINGEQUITYWORKSHEET\\_FINAL.PDF](#)

PDF: [PSC\\_2018HSGPROFILE\\_HEBRON.PDF](#)

## 9. Inclusive and Equitable Community Impacts

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### 9.1 Optimize for Equity

10 Points

**Program Summary:** No description was provided.

PDF: [8AND9\\_HOUSINGEQUITYWORKSHEET\\_FINAL.PDF](#)