



Sustainable CT Community Certification Report

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

Bloomfield was certified on October 28, 2019 with 240 points. Listed below is information regarding Bloomfield'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 Bloomfield was approved for in 2019 appears below. Please enjoy this opportunity to view and learn from the information and materials provided.

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1. Thriving Local Economies

1.3 Inventory and Promote Local Retail Options

10 Points

Approved Information: 1.3.1 Inventory and Promote local retail options - Bloomfield, (10 points)
6/17/2019

Supporting Documentation:

WORD: [1.3.1 INVENTORY AND PROMOTE LOCAL RETAIL OPTIONS - BLOOMFIELD.DOCX](#)

Additional Information: Table lists local businesses that have received support from the Bloomfield Center Business Alliance and the target category.

1.4 Provide Resources and Supports to Local Businesses

10 Points

Approved Information: 1.4 Partnership support description 1.4.1 Submitting documentation of Bloomfield Center Business Alliance round table quarterly event flyer. (5 points) 4/11/2019 1.4.2 Bloomfield Center Business Alliance promotion flyer. (5 points) established in 2015.

Supporting Documentation:

PDF: [1.4.2 BLOOMFIELD CENTER BUSINESS ALLIANCE - FLYER.PDF](#)

PDF: [1.4.1 PROVIDE RESOURCES EVENT - MDC OPS MEETING FLYER 04.11.2019.PDF](#)

WORD: [1.4 PARTNERSHIP SUPPORT DESCRIPTION - JUNE 2019.DOCX](#)

PDF: [1.4.2 BLOOMFIELD CENTER BUSINESS ALLIANCE \(BCBA\) - GOMAN+YORK - POSTING.PDF](#)

1.6 Participate in and Promote the C-PACE Program

10 Points

Approved Information: 1.6.1 Opt In to C-PACE (5 points); 1.6.3 Earn Credit for C-PACE Projects (5 points)

Supporting Documentation:

PDF: [1.6 CPACE - BLOOMFIELD - AGREEMENT CPACE EXECUTED.PDF](#)

PDF: [1.6 CPACE - BLOOMFIELD - C-PACE ADOPTING - 06-10-2013 REGULAR MEETING W.HIGHLIGHTS.PDF](#)

PDF: [1.6 BLOOMFIELD - CPACE PROJECTS COMPLETED.PDF](#)

PDF: [1.6 CPACE - BLOOMFIELD - WEBPAGE.PDF](#)

Documentation Details: Supporting documentation includes: -the Town Council's resolution and the contract agreement with the Town and the CT Green Bank. -C-PACE completed project list for the town. -Document with a screenshot of the town's energy efficiency page, and a link to the webpage for C-PACE details.

2. Well-Stewarded Land and Natural Resources

2.4 Develop an Open Space Plan

10 Points

Supporting Documentation:

PDF: [2.4 BLOOMFIELD OPEN SPACE PLAN_V2.PDF](#)

EXCEL: [2.4 BLOOMFIELD_OPENSACEINVENTORY.XLSX](#)

WORD: [2.4.3 - OPEN SPACE PLAN_INTRO.DOCX](#)

2.8 Implement Low Impact Development

5 Points

Approved Information: 2.8.1 Implement LID within POCD (5 Points). 8/2012 Attachment reduced for relevance.

Supporting Documentation:

PDF: [2.8 PLANNING POCD SELECTED LID AND STORMWATER MANAGEMENT.PDF](#)

3. Vibrant and Creative Cultural Ecosystems

3.1 Map Tourism and Cultural Assets

15 Points

Approved Information: 3.1.1 Create a Tourism and Cultural Asset Map (10 points) Management of this website is through a contract with consulting firm the Town of Bloomfield has hired. This public online resource is a collective place for the community and visitors to locate cultural and historic assets, and local retailers. www.bloominginbloomfield.com 3.1.2 Update CTVisit Profile (5 points) <http://www.ctvisit.com/listings/town-bloomfield> 3.1.1.4 and 3.1.2.2 Maintenance Plans for Online Cultural Assets (attached).

Supporting Documentation:

PDF: [3.1.4 - ONLINE ASSET RESOURCE MAINTENANCE PLAN JULY 2019.PDF](#)

4. Dynamic and Resilient Planning

4.1 Integrate Sustainability into Plan of Conservation and Development and Zoning

55 Points

Approved Information: 4.1.2 Integrate Sustainability Concepts into the POCD, (35 points for concepts 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 9), adopted 2012 4.1.4 Integrate Sustainability Concepts into Zoning Regs, (20 points for concepts 1, 2, 3), 12/14/18

Supporting Documentation:

PDF: [BLOOMFIELD ZONING REGS DEC 14 2018.PDF](#)

PDF: [4.1 BLOOMFIELD - INTEGRATE SUST INTO POCD - WORKSHEET B.PDF](#)

PDF: [4.1 BLOOMFIELD - INTEGRATE SUST INTO ZONING REGS - WORKSHEET C.PDF](#)

PDF: [BLOOMFIELD_POCD_2012_ADOPTED.PDF](#)

Documentation Details: The attachment lists instances where APA concepts of Sustainability were incorporated in Bloomfield's POCD (Worksheet B - 25pts) and Zoning Regulations (Worksheet C - 25 pts). Attached copies (pdf) of POCD and Zoning Regulations. POCD (link):

<https://www.bloomfieldct.gov/planning-and-zoning/pages/plan-conservation-and-development>

Zoning Regulations (link):

https://www.bloomfieldct.gov/sites/bloomfieldct/files/uploads/bloomfield_zoning_regs_mar_11_19.pdf

4.3 Develop Agriculture-Friendly Practices

15 Points

Supporting Documentation:

PDF: [BLOOMFIELD - ACTION 4.3.5 CONSERVATION DEVELOPMENT \(REGULATIONS\)](#)

PDF: [BLOOMFIELD - ACTION 4.3.6 COMMUNITY GARDEN FLYER 2018](#)

PDF: [BLOOMFIELD - ACTION 4.3.6 COMMUNITY GARDEN FLYER 2018 WINTER/SPRING](#)

WORD: [BLOOMFIELD - ACTION 4.3.6 COMMUNITY GARDENS](#)

PDF: [BLOOMFIELD - ACTION 4.3.2 LEASE MUNICIPAL LAND](#)

5. Clean and Diverse Transportation Systems and Choices

5.1 Implement Complete Streets

5 Points

Approved Information: 5.1 Implement Complete Streets 7/1/2019 (5 points)

Supporting Documentation:

PDF: [PUBLIC MEETING #2 FLYER - 5.15.2019.PDF](#)

PDF: [MAY 15, 2019 PUBLIC MEETING NOTES.PDF](#)

PDF: [5.1 COMPLETE STREETS DETAILS - BLOOMFIELD - JULY 2019.PDF](#)

PDF: [APRIL 24, 2019 HIGH PRIORITY CORRIDORS MAP.PDF](#)

Additional Information: All of the attachments are in support of this action. There is a flyer used for advertising and notes from a public meeting, discussion and presentation. All documentation (maps, notes, and presentations) have been shared on the Town website.

<https://www.bloomfieldct.gov/engineering/pages/complete-streets-and-connectivity>

5.4 Support Zero Emission Vehicle Deployment

5 Points

Approved Information: 5.4.1 Share your EV infrastructure regulations & hold educational workshop (5 points)

Supporting Documentation:

WORD: [CHARGING STATIONS AND PHOTOS DRAFT.DOCX](#)

PDF: [DEEP LIST - EV CHARGING STATIONS IN CT 2017.PDF](#)

PDF: [P&Z - MINUTES - OCTOBER 23 2014 W-HIGHLIGHTS.PDF](#)

IMAGE: [IMG_3888.JPG](#)

6. Efficient Physical Infrastructure and Operations

6.5 Develop a Municipal Energy Plan

10 Points

Approved Information: 6.5.1 The Town of Bloomfield developed a municipal energy plan. The Town Council adopted this Clean Energy Commitment. Attachments include the Municipal plan and the Town Council's resolution. We are seeking 10 points for this action.

Supporting Documentation:

PDF: [BLOOMFIELD CLEAN ENERGY COMMUNITIES MUNICIPAL ACTION PLAN 12_21_2017.PDF](#)

PDF: [BLOOMFIELD TOWN COUNCIL CLEAN ENERGY RESOLUTION.PDF](#)

6.7 Install Efficient Exterior Lighting

5 Points

Approved Information: 6.7.1 Install Efficient Street Lights (5 points), completed in 2016

Supporting Documentation:

PDF: [ACTION 6.7 - AGREEMENT FOR INSTALLATION OF LED STREETLIGHTS 2016.PDF](#)

PDF: [6.7.1 INSTALL LED STREETLIGHTS - JULY 2019.PDF](#)

PDF: [ACTION 6.7 - AGREEMENT FOR INSTALLATION OF LED STREETLIGHTS 2016.PDF](#)

Documentation Details: The word document attached contains details about the conversion to LED streetlights. The pdf attached is a copy of the Town Manager's authorization to Eversource for this conversion.

6.8 Implement a Community Energy Campaign

10 Points

Approved Information: 6.8 Description of the BOE Shared Solar Campaign. Target audience – Bloomfield residents and employees (including percentage for LMI residents) Area of focus – Solar-energy The Outreach for this campaign was a collaborative effort of Bloomfield's Board of Education and the Clean Energy Collaborative. Attached are a few examples of ways the BOE used their platform to generate interest. The information was broadcast on local radio stations, mailed to residents through the Town Hall Newsletter, posted on the Town's social media pages and supported by municipal departments like Leisure Services and the energy conservation commission. Clean Energy Collaborative managed contracts and provided additional details to interested parties. Outreach started in December 2018 and continued until July 2019.

Supporting Documentation:

PDF: [6.8 BLOOMFIELD COMMUNITY ENERGY CAMPAIGN - BOE SHARED SOLAR - MAY 2019.PDF](#)

IMAGE: [IMG_5190.JPG](#)

IMAGE: [IMG_5191.JPG](#)

IMAGE: [IMG_5192.JPG](#)

IMAGE: [6.8 BLOOMFIELD COMMUNITY ENERGY CAMPAIGN - OUTREACH EXAMPLE.JPG](#)

PDF: [6.8 BLOOMFIELD COMMUNITY ENERGY CAMPAIGN - COMMUNICATION EMAIL PDF.PDF](#)

7. Strategic and Inclusive Public Services

7.1 Hold a Sustainability Event

15 Points

Supporting Documentation:

EXCEL: [7.1 SUSTAINABILITY EVENT - BLOOMFIELD - FINAL JULY 2019.XLSX](#)

7.7 Recycle Additional Materials and Compost Organics

20 Points

Supporting Documentation:

PDF: [7.7 ADDITIONAL RECYCLING - DRUG DROP OFF BOX - ACTIVE SINCE 2016.PDF](#)

PDF: [7.7 ADDITIONAL RECYCLING - RESIDENTIAL ELECTRONICS RECYCLING 2019.PDF](#)

PDF: [7.7 ADDITIONAL RECYCLING - TEXTILE RECYCLING 2019.PDF](#)

IMAGE: [P4132387 S TVS TO RECYCLE.JPG](#)

IMAGE: [P4132386 S SHRED DAY TEAM PHOTO.JPG](#)

IMAGE: [P4132372 S UNLOADING CARS.JPG](#)

IMAGE: [P4132365 S CAR LINE UP FROM TUNXIS.JPG](#)

PDF: [7.7 ADDITIONAL RECYCLING - E-CYCLER FLYER - 07.2018.PDF](#)

IMAGE: [ECYCLER KIOSK IMAGE.JPG](#)

Documentation Details: The Town of Bloomfield hosts several recycling programs in Town. We have shared a few of the most recent, and ongoing recycling programs supported by the Town. (20 points) 1. Electronics Recycling, is hosted by the Town and supported by local businesses. This is a new program and was well received. The program is hosted at the Town Hall on the same day as Shred Day, twice a year. Both programs are growing and well attended. Target audience are Bloomfield residents. The Town Conservation, Energy and Environment Committee partnered with Take 2 (E-Waste Recycling Company). 2. Textile Recycling program consists of three public drop off locations, along with education on textile waste. The Town works with Baystate Textiles to recycle clothing. These are ongoing programs for the Town of Bloomfield, and are regularly advertised in the Town newsletter, website, and through Public Works outreach. The flyers for both programs is attached. The Shred/Electronics Recycling Day in Town is a very popular event that happens twice a year, the Town has coupled the electronic waste collection with the Shred day and participation was successful because of it (see pictures of Spring 2019 Electronic Collection). 3. E-Cycling Kiosks are located at three locations in Town. These kiosks were funded through a DEEP Waste Reduction Initiative grant. The kiosks are for the collection and recycling of CFLs, cellphones, and batteries. The 3 green "e-cycler" recycle bins are placed at town hall, Prosser library, and the 330 Park community center; \$3,626 total grant. Continued advertisement is sent through mailers to residents. The flyer is attached and a photo of the Town Hall kiosk is attached. Facilities staff collects and stores items until they are collected by a combined recycling facilities/companies including: • TAKE 2: Collects all materials, twice a year at events • MDC: Hazardous waste day will accept batteries • NLR: Will recycle bulbs, CFL, etc. • Green Monster: Will accept electronics Drug Drop Off has been in place since 2016, and is an active drug collection program supported by the Police Department and the CEEC. Although this is not a "recycling" program, it is a program that removes medication from the water treatment process, and potentially ground water and soils. It is a program that the town is proud to support and hope that it continues to impact the water quality in the State.

Partners: Bloomfield Conservation, Energy and Environment Committee (CEEC) Take 2 (<https://www.take2recycle.com/>) - Electronic Waste Recycling Baystate Textiles (<http://www.baystatetextiles.com/ct-municipalities/>) - Textile Waste Recycling

8. Healthy, Efficient and Diverse Housing

8.2 Grow Sustainable and Affordable Housing Options

10 Points

Approved Information: 8.2.1 - Identify the percentage of affordable housing in the community, 2018--most recent data (10 points)

Supporting Documentation:

PDF: [8.2.1 AFFORDABLE HOUSING APPEALS LIST - 2018 BLOOMFIELD](#)

Documentation Details: 2018 Connecticut Department of Housing Affordable Housing Appeals List, showing that 10.88% of Bloomfield's housing stock is affordable.

9. Inclusive and Equitable Community Impacts

9.1 Optimize for Equity

10 Points

Supporting Documentation:

PDF: [COMPLETE STREETS PUBLIC MEETING - MARCH 20 2019.PDF](#)

PDF: [CONNECTIVITY COMMITTEE MEETING - FEB 27 2019.PDF](#)

PDF: [9.1 EQUITY - BLOOMFIELD - APPLIED TO ACTION 5.1.PDF](#)

Documentation Details: 9.1 Equity - Bloomfield - Applied to Action 5.1.pdf is the general description of how the Town of Bloomfield applied the equity toolkit to action 5.1 Complete Streets policy development. Attachments include examples of flyers developed for advertising.

10. Innovation Action

10.1 Implement Your Own Sustainability Action

20 Points

Approved Information: 10.1. Innovation--(1) 10 points for empowering teens to lead in environmental action, including through student-led construction of a rain garden on the Bloomfield High School campus (points awarded for the student-led nature/teen empowerment aspect of this work, not the rain garden, potentially eligible for points under Sustainable CT action 2.8), 2019; (2) 10 points planning for the growth and continued vitality of Bloomfield Town Center through visioning, 2013-present

Supporting Documentation:

PDF: [VISIONING - ADDITIONAL SUSTAINABLE ACTION - SUPPORTING INCLUSIVE DEMOCRACY - 2019 CITIZENS ACADEMY 63.PDF](#)

PDF: [VISIONING - BLOOMFIELD CENTER PLAN.PDF](#)

PDF: [VISIONING - BLOOMFIELD MEMORIAL DAY VIDEO.PDF](#)

PDF: [VISIONING - BLOOMFIELD TOWN GREEN CONCEPTS - OCTOBER 2018.PDF](#)

PDF: [VISIONING - FILLEY PARK RESTORATION CONCEPT MAP.PDF](#)

PDF: [VISIONING - POCD - TOWN CENTER VISIONING.PDF](#)

PDF: [VISIONING - SENIOR CENTER - TOWN HALL ART EXHIBIT 2019.PDF](#)

PDF: [VISIONING - SENIOR CENTER ARTS EXHIBIT 2019.PDF](#)

PDF: [EMPOWERING TEENS TO LEAD - RAIN GARDEN POSTER 2019.PDF](#)

PDF: [10.1 INNOVATION ACTION - EMPOWERING TEENS TO LEAD - 2019.PDF](#)

PDF: [EMPOWERING TEENS TO LEAD - RAIN INSTALLATION 2019.PDF](#)

PDF: [10.1 INNOVATION ACTION - BLOOMFIELD TOWN CENTER VISIONING - JUNE 2019.PDF](#)

Documentation Details: Innovation Actions: 1. Bloomfield Town Center Visioning (10 points) 2. Empowering Teens to Lead in Environmental Action (15 points) Supporting documents are labeled VISIONING (for #1 Town Center Visioning) and EMPOWER (for #2 Empowering Teens to Lead).

Partners: Bloomfield High School UCONN Conservation Ambassador Program