



Sustainable CT Community Certification Report

This is the Sustainable CT Certification Report of Bridgeport, a Sustainable CT silver certified applicant.

Bridgeport was certified on October 01, 2025 with 530 points. Listed below is information regarding Bridgeport'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 Bridgeport was approved for in 2025 appears below. Please enjoy this opportunity to view and learn from the information and materials provided.

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1. Inclusive and Equitable Community Impacts

1.1 Optimize for Equity – REQUIRED for All Certification Levels

30 Points

Approved Information: 1.1.1 (30 points)

Supporting Documentation:

WORD: [CITY FRESH PROGRAM_EQUITY SCT.DOCX](#)

WORD: [GARDEN OF JOY_EQUITY SCT.DOCX](#)

WORD: [10.7.2 EQUITY TOOLKIT FINAL \(1\).DOCX](#)

Documentation Details: City Fresh Initiative- 13.1.1 Garden of Joy- 10.4.1 Bridgeport Waterfront Pathway - 10.7.2

Partners: See toolkits

2. Thriving Local Economies

2.1 Support Redevelopment of Brownfield Sites

10 Points

Approved Information: 2.1.3 (10 points)

Supporting Documentation:

PDF: [2.1.6 BRIDGEPORT.PDF](#)

PDF: [2.1.6 CIF PROJECTS](#)

PDF: [ACTION 2.1.3 - AGI SITE, AWARD LETTER.PDF](#)

PDF: [ACTION 2.1.3 - CITY_COUNCIL_RESOLUTION.PDF](#)

Partners: N/a

2.3 Inventory and Promote Local Products and Services

20 Points

Approved Information: 2.3.1a (10 points) 2.3.1b (10 points)

Supporting Documentation:

PDF: [2.3.1.WEBPAGE](#)

PDF: [2.3.1.LIST](#)

Partners: None

2.4 Provide Resources and Supports to Local Businesses

15 Points

Approved Information: 2.4.2 (5 points) 2.4.6 (10 points)

Supporting Documentation:

PDF: [2.4.1_WORKSHEET BRIDGEPORT \(2\).PDF](#)

PDF: [2.4.2.LETTER](#)

PDF: [2.4.6 BRIDGEPORT.PDF](#)

Documentation Details: 2.4.2: The letter shows the partnership between the Bridgeport Small and Minority Business Enterprise and HEDCO, which provides Connecticut small businesses with financial assistance.

Partners: 2.4.2: HEDCO 2.4.6: Great Oaks Charter School Bridgeport

3. Well-Stewarded Land and Natural Resources

3.1 Provide Watershed Education

15 Points

Approved Information: 3.1.1b (15 points)

Supporting Documentation:

PDF: [3.1.1A AND 3.1.1B BRIDGEPORT.PDF](#)

PDF: [3.1.2 PATHOGEN MONITORING REPORT 2024.PDF](#)

Documentation Details: 3.1.2: The Ash Creek Conservation Association is a non-profit community organization, whose mission is to advocate for the protection and restoration of the Ash Creek Tidal Estuary. The 2025 monitoring season is to end in September, so the 2024 report is the latest one available.

Partners: 3.1.1a: <https://www.groundworkbridgeport.org/partners-and-funders> 3.1.2: Ash Creek Conservation Assn

3.8 Implement Low Impact Development

20 Points

Approved Information: 3.8.1c: LID training (5 points) 3.8.2b: LID practices (15 points)

Supporting Documentation:

WORD: [3.8.1A AND 3.8.1C.DOCX](#)

PDF: [3.8.2BWORKSHEET](#)

Partners: 3.8.1 a: City of Hartford 3.8.1c: This conference was hosted by Connecticut Urban Forest Council, Tree Warden's Association of Connecticut, Connecticut Tree Protective Association

3.10 Facilitate Invasive Species Education and Management

5 Points

Approved Information: 3.10.3: Invasive Species Resources (5 points)

Supporting Documentation:

PDF: [3.10.3.INVASIVESPECIESRESOURCES](#)

Partners: None

3.12 Enhance Pollinator Pathways

25 Points

Approved Information: 3.12.1: Native plants education (5 points) 3.12.3: Native Pollinator Friendly Community Resolution (20 points)

Supporting Documentation:

PDF: [3.12.3.POLLINATORFRIENDLYRESOLUTIONADOPTION](#)

PDF: [3.12.3.POLLINATORFRIENDLYRESOLUTION](#)

PDF: [3.12.1 BRIDGEPORT.PDF](#)

PDF: [3.12.2 OUTREACH.PDF](#)

WORD: [3.12.2 GARDENS AND DESC](#)

Documentation Details: Please see page 9 of "3.12.3.PollinatorFriendlyResolutionAdoption" to see adoption of plan

Partners: 3.12.3: BEE City USA

4. Vibrant and Creative Cultural Ecosystems

4.1 Inventory Tourism and Cultural Assets

15 Points

Approved Information: 4.1.1a: Tourism Information (10 points) 4.1.2: CTVisit Municipal Profile (5 points)

Supporting Documentation:

PDF: [4.1.1A.TOURISMASSETS](#)

PDF: [4.1.2.CTVISITPROFILE](#)

Partners: None

4.2 Support Arts and Creative Culture

15 Points

Approved Information: 4.2.2: Arts and Culture in publicly available municipal marketing (5 points) 4.2.9: Local artists annual recognition event (10 points)

Supporting Documentation:

PDF: [4.2.10 BRIDGEPORT \(1\).PDF](#)

PDF: [4.2.13.COLORFULBRIDGEPORT](#)

PDF: [4.2.2 BRIDGEPORT.PDF](#)

PDF: [4.2.9 BRIDGEPORT.PDF](#)

PDF: [4.2.9 BAT BROCHURE](#)

Partners: 4.2.2: OPED, DSSD 4.2.9: Fairfield County's Community Foundation, mntd Studios, Bluestone Real Estate, M&T Bank, WSHU Radio, CT Humanities, Spinnaker Real Estate Partners LLC, Colorful Bridgeport 4.2.10: Bridgeport History Center 4.2.13: DSSD

5. Dynamic and Resilient Planning

5.1 Integrate Sustainability into Plan of Conservation and Development

20 Points

Approved Information: 5.1.1b. Sustainability Concepts in POCD (20 points)

Supporting Documentation:

PDF: [5.1.1B.WORKSHEET](#)

PDF: [5.1.1.POCD](#)

Partners: 5.1.1b. Fitzgerald and Halliday

5.5 Inventory and Assess Historic Resources

10 Points

Approved Information: 5.5.3: Historic Buildings Event (5 points) 5.5.4: Certified Local Government Status (5 points)

Supporting Documentation:

PDF: [5.5.3.EVENT](#)

PDF: [5.5.4.STATUS](#)

Partners: 5.5.3: Bridgeport Public Library, Preservation Connecticut, Connecticut Historic Preservation Office, Bridgeport History Center

5.8 Promote Cool Roofs

20 Points

Approved Information: 5.8.3a: Existing cool roof zoning policies (20 points)

Supporting Documentation:

PDF: [5.8.3A BRIDGEPORT.PDF](#)

Partners: None

6. Clean and Diverse Transportation Systems and Choices

6.1 Implement Complete Streets

20 Points

Approved Information: 6.1.3: Complete Streets Policy (20 points)

Supporting Documentation:

PDF: [6.1.3_WORKSHEET.PDF](#)

PDF: [BRIDGEPORTCOMPLETESTREETS081811.PDF](#)

PDF: [6.1.3_ADOPTION](#)

Partners: MetroCOG (former GBRC) USDOT, CTDOT

6.5 Promote Public Transit and Other Mobility Strategies

10 Points

Approved Information: 6.5.3: Road Safety Audit (10 points)

Supporting Documentation:

PDF: [6.5.3.ROADSAFETYAUDIT](#)

PDF: [6.5.3_WORKSHEET \(1\).PDF](#)

Partners: 6.5.3: CTDOT, FHI Studio

7. Renewable and Efficient Energy Infrastructure and Operations

7.9 Participate in and Promote the C-PACE Program

25 Points

Approved Information: 7.9.1: C-PACE Agreement (20 points) 7.9.3: Completed C-PACE Projects (5 points)

Supporting Documentation:

EXCEL: [7.9.3.CPACEPROJECTSLIST](#)

PDF: [7.9.1 MUNICIPAL WEBSITE SCREENSHOT](#)

PDF: [7.9.1 C-PACE AGREEMENT](#)

PDF: [7.9.1ADOPTIONMEETINGMINUTES](#)

Documentation Details: 7.9.1: For adoption of the updated C-PACE agreement, please see page 18 of "7.9.1.AdoptionMeetingMinutes" to see City Council unanimous approval.

Partners: 7.9.1: CT Green Bank 7.9.3: Connecticut Green Bank, Smart Roofs Solar Inc.

8. Inclusive Engagement, Communication and Education

8.1 Hold a Sustainability Event

15 Points

Approved Information: 8.1: Sustainability Events (15 points)

Supporting Documentation:

EXCEL: [8.1.WORKSHEET](#)

Documentation Details: Municipal outreach can be found on this site:
https://engage.bridgeportct.gov/waterfront/news_feed/waterfront-wednesdays-summer-2025

Partners: 8.1: Trust for Public Land, CT DEEP

8.4 Support Community Match Fund (CMF) Project and Civic Engagement

10 Points

Approved Information: 8.4.1 (10 points)

Supporting Documentation:

EXCEL: [8.4 SUBMISSION TEMPLATE \(1\) \(1\).XLSX](#)

WORD: [8.4.1 PICTURES.DOCX](#)

Partners: See document

9. Strategic Materials Management

9.3 Recycle Additional Materials

10 Points

Approved Information: 9.3.1 (10 points)

Supporting Documentation:

PDF: [9.3.1.WORKSHEET](#)

IMAGE: [9.3.1.EVIDENCE](#)

PDF: [9.3.1.OUTREACH](#)

Partners: 9.3.1: None

9.5 Promote Waste Reduction and Reuse

5 Points

Approved Information: 9.5.2 (5 points)

Supporting Documentation:

WORD: [9.5.2.DOCX](#)

Partners: None

10. Optimal Health and Wellness Opportunities

10.3 Improve Air Quality in Public Spaces

20 Points

Approved Information: 10.3.3 (20 points)

Supporting Documentation:

PDF: [10.3.3TOBACCOUSEPOLICY](#)

Partners: None

10.4 Develop and Promote Community Growing Spaces

15 Points

Approved Information: 10.4.1: (15 points)

Supporting Documentation:

PDF: [10.4.1.DOC](#)

WORD: [10.4.1 GARDEN OF JOY.DOCX](#)

Partners: 10.4.1: <https://www.gogvi.org/supporters>

10.5 Support Equitable Food Access and Local Farmers

45 Points

Approved Information: 10.5.1 (15 points) 10.5.2 (30 points)

Supporting Documentation:

PDF: [10.5.2.SOCIALMEDIAOUTREACH](#)

PDF: [10.5.3.POPUPMARKETSSCHEDULE](#)

PDF: [10.5.1 FARMERS MARKET SCHEDULE.PDF](#)

PDF: [10.5.2.BENEFITSEVIDENCE](#)

IMAGE: [EAST SIDE FARMERS MARKET SCREEN SHOT.PNG](#)

Documentation Details: 10.5.1 and 10.5.2: <https://www.bridgeportct.gov/government/departments/health-social-services/events-and-programs/east-side-farmers-market> 10.5.2: <https://portal.ct.gov/doag/adarc/adarc/farmers-market-nutrition-program/authorized-redemption-locations>

Partners: 10.5.2 and 10.5.3: Bridgeport Farmer's Market Collaborative, nOURish Bridgeport, End Hunger Connecticut, Connecticut Fresh Match, USDA, M&T Bank, Hartford Healthcare, CT Dept of Agriculture,

10.6 Plan and Prepare for Extreme Heat

10 Points

Approved Information: 10.6.2a (10 points)

Supporting Documentation:

PDF: [10.6.2 WORKSHEET_3 \(1\).PDF](#)

IMAGE: [10.6.2A.PNG](#)

Partners: None

10.7 Improve Outdoor Access for All

15 Points

Approved Information: 10.7.2 (15 points)

Supporting Documentation:

PDF: [EQUITY TOOLKIT SUBMISSION.PDF](#)

11. Healthy, Efficient and Diverse Housing

11.1 Implement an Affordable Housing Plan

5 Points

Approved Information: 11.1.1 (5 points)

Supporting Documentation:

PDF: [11.1.1.DOC](#)

PDF: [11.1.1.MEETINGMINUTES](#)

Partners: None

11.2 Grow Sustainable and Affordable Housing Options

45 Points

Approved Information: 11.2.1 (5 points) 11.2.2 (40 points)

Supporting Documentation:

PDF: [11.2.AFFORDABLEHOUSINGLIST2024](#)

PDF: [11.2.AFFORDABLEHOUSINGLIST2019](#)

PDF: [11.2.2HOUSINGINCREASEDOC](#)

Documentation Details: 11.2.1: Please see "11.2.AffordableHousingList2024 to see most recent appeals report.

Partners: None

11.3 Implement Policy for Sustainable, Diverse Housing Options

20 Points

Approved Information: 11.3.2 (20 points)

Supporting Documentation:

PDF: [11.3.2 HOUSEHOLD DEFINITION](#)

Partners: None

12. Effective, Compassionate Homelessness Prevention

12.2 Increase Public Awareness and Support for Efforts to End Homelessness

10 Points

Approved Information: 12.2.2 (5 points) 12.2.3 (5 points)

Supporting Documentation:

PDF: [12.2.2.HOMELESSNESSRESOURCESWEBPAGE](#)

PDF: [12.2.3.EVENT](#)

IMAGE: [12.2.3 FLYER.PNG](#)

Documentation Details: 12.2.2: <https://www.bridgeportct.gov/government/departments/health-social-services/social-services/homelessness-care-response>

Partners: None

12.4 Provide or Mobilize Resources to Address Homelessness

15 Points

Approved Information: 12.4.2 (15 points)

Supporting Documentation:

PDF: [12.4.2.WORKSHEET](#)

PDF: [12.4.2.WARMINGCENTERS](#)

PDF: [12.4.1 WORKSHEET](#)

PDF: [12.4.1 FY 25-26 BUDGET](#)

Partners: None

13. Innovative Strategies and Practices

13.1 Implement Your Own Sustainability Action

15 Points

Approved Information: 13.1.1 City Fresh Initiative (15 points)

Supporting Documentation:

WORD: [13.1.1 CITY FRESH PROGRAM](#)

Documentation Details: <https://www.bridgeportct.gov/news/mayor-ganim-announces-15000-award-city-fresh-program>

Partners: See report