Sustainable CT Community Certification Report

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

Waterbury was certified on October 01, 2026 with 350 points. Listed below is information regarding Waterbury'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 Waterbury was approved for in 2026 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

10 Points

Approved Information: 1.1 - 10 points

Supporting Documentation:

WORD: ACTION 1.1.1 EQUITY TOOLKIT - WATERBURY 2026 - ASSOCIATED WITH ACTION 13.1.1 IMPLEMENT YOUR OWN SUSTAINABILITY ACTION

Documentation Details: 1.1.1: Waterbury worked with the community to develop the Brass City Promise Zone initiative

Partners: 1.1.1: City of Waterbury Mayor's Office, Waterbury Public Schools/Superintendent's Office, Driggs Elementary School, Brass City Charter School, Willow Plaza NRZ Community Center, Waterbury Community Relations Police Department, Office of Community Development, City of Waterbury, Waterbury Housing Authority, Bridge to Success, GirlsTREK, Willow Plaza neighborhood residents and community leaders, Local churches and faith-based organizations, Parent ambassadors, Other participating City departments and community organizations

2. Thriving Local Economies

2.1 Support Redevelopment of Brownfield Sites

65 Points

Approved Information: 2.1.1 - 10 points; 2.1.3 - 10 points; 2.1.4 - 20 points; 2.1.6 - 10 points; 2.1.7 - 15 points

Supporting Documentation:

EXCEL: 2.1.1 WATERBURY BROWNFIELD INVENTORY

WORD: 2.1.7 BROWNFIELD REMEDIATION

PDF: 2.1.3 WATERBURY_FORMER ANAMET PROPOSAL

PDF: 2.1.3 ANNOUNCEMENT OF FUNDING FOR ANAMET REMEDIATION PROJECT

PDF: 2.1.4 - 272 RIVER STREET - SITE ASSESSMENT

PDF: 2.1.4 - 835 SOUTH MAIN STREET - SITE ASSESSMENT

WORD: 2.1.6 MARKET BROWNFIELD REMEDIATION OPPORTUNITIES

Documentation Details: 2.1.1 - Attached is the copy of Waterbury's brownfield inventory created Summer 2026. It is an ongoing list. 2.1.3 - Attached is the former Anamet site proposal and the announcement for funding. 2.1.4 - attached is the environmental site assessment for 835 Main Street and 272 River Street 2.1.6 - attached is documentation of the website that lists brownfield remediation opportunities for Waterbury 2.1.7 - attached is documentation of Waterbury's splash pad remediation project.

Partners: The Waterbury Development Corporation (WDC) is the City of Waterbury's designated non-profit economic and community organization. The Corporation was founded as a partnership of the public and private sectors to help the City of Waterbury, its businesses, and its residents revitalize their city, stimulate and support economic development, promote investment in education, rehabilitate and maintain the city's housing stock, eliminate urban blight and decay, manage construction projects, and improve the overall quality of life. 2.1.1: NVCOG helped create the inventory. 2.1.3: WDC 2.1.4: Tighe & Bond, Arcadis 2.1.6: WDC 2.1.7: Red Technologies removed contaminated soils, Milestone Construction Services was awarded the project.

2.3 Inventory and Promote Local Products and Services

10 Points

Approved Information: 2.3.1a - 10 points

Supporting Documentation:

WORD: 2.3.1A LOCAL BUSINESS INVENTORY

Documentation Details: 2.3.1 - Links to the resource and business directory

Partners: 2.3.1 The City of Waterbury Health Department runs the Take Care of Your Self Waterbury website

3. Well-Stewarded Land and Natural Resources

3.4 Develop an Open Space Plan

10 Points

Approved Information: 3.4.1 - 10 points

Supporting Documentation:

EXCEL: 3.4.1 WATERBURY OPEN SPACE INVENTORY

Documentation Details: 3.4.1_Waterbury Open Space Inventory (Created July 2026). Contains all open spaces with details such as use, owners, legal protections, etc.

Partners: 3.4.1: NVCOG helped create the Waterbury Open Space Inventory

4. Vibrant and Creative Cultural Ecosystems

4.2 Support Arts and Creative Culture

10 Points

Approved Information: 4.2.5 - 5 points; 4.2.10 - 5 points

Supporting Documentation:

WORD: 4.2.5 ARTS AND TOURISM COMMISSION

WORD: 4.2.10 SUPPORT ARTS AT LIBRARIES

Documentation Details: 4.2.5: Documents Waterbury's active Arts and Tourism Commission 4.2.10: Documents Waterbury's America 250th Silas Bronson Library displays and events in the May 2026 Brass City Newsletter.

Partners: 4.2.10: Silas Bronson Library

Additional Information: .

5. Dynamic and Resilient Planning

5.1 Integrate Sustainability into Plan of Conservation and Development

20 Points

Approved Information: 5.1.1b - 20 points

Supporting Documentation:

PDF: 2026-2036 WATERBURY POCD

WORD: 5.1.1A HAZARD MITIGATION GOALS IN POCD

WORD: 5.1_WORKSHEET_2.DOCX

Documentation Details: 5.1.1a - displays 4 hazard mitigation goals outlined in the 2026-2036 Waterbury POCD (also attached) 5.1.1b - displays 3 sustainability concepts in the 2026-2036 Waterbury POCD

Partners: None

6. Clean and Diverse Transportation Systems and Choices

6.1 Implement Complete Streets

20 Points

Approved Information: 6.1.3 - 20 points

Supporting Documentation:

PDF: 6.1.3 COMPLETE STREETS RESOLUTION

PDF: 6.1.3 MEETING MINUTES

WORD: 6.1.3 COMPLETE STREETS WORKSHEET

Documentation Details: 6.1.3 "Complete Streets Resolution" is the resolution passed April of 2014, 6.1.3 Worksheet is the required worksheet for this action. 6.1.3 has the meeting minutes action line item #16

Partners: None

6.5 Promote Public Transit and Other Mobility Strategies

5 Points

Approved Information: 6.5.2 - 5 points

Supporting Documentation:

WORD: 6.5.2 BICYCLE EDUCATION PROGRAM

Documentation Details: 6.5.2: Details about the Bicycle Rodeo at Silas Bronson Library in March 2026

Partners: Silas Bronson Library, SafeRoutes, NVCOG

7. Renewable and Efficient Energy Infrastructure and Operations

7.9 Participate in and Promote the C-PACE Program

20 Points

Approved Information: 7.9.1- 20 points

Supporting Documentation:

PDF: 7.9.1 C-PACE LEGAL AGREEMENT

WORD: 7.9.1 C-PACE ON WATERBURY WEBSITE

PDF: 7.9.1 C-PACE MEETING MINUTES

Documentation Details: The Legal agreement signed by both parties is located in the document "7.9.1 C-PACE Legal Agreement" C-PACE is promoted on WDC website. The Board of Alderman Meeting Minutes in which C-PACE was passed is in the document "7.9.1 C-PACE Meeting Minutes"

Partners: None

8. Inclusive Engagement, Communication and Education

8.1 Hold a Sustainability Event

5 Points

Approved Information: 8.1.1 - 5 points

Supporting Documentation:

EXCEL: 8.1.1 HOLD A SUSTAINABILITY EVENT

Documentation Details: 8.1.1: Shows that Waterbury held a city litter clean up for Earth Day through its Beautification Commission in April 2026.

Partners: Waterbury Beautification Commission

8.8 Earn a Green Schools Designation

15 Points

Approved Information: 8.8.1 - 15 points

Supporting Documentation:

WORD: 8.8.1 EARN A GREEN SCHOOLS DESIGNATION

Documentation Details: 8.8.1: Shows that Reagan Elementary School and John F. Kennedy High School have been COEEA Green Schools certified.

Partners: none

9. Strategic Materials Management

9.1 Report Materials Management Data and Reduce Waste

5 Points

Approved Information: 9.1.1 - 5 points

Supporting Documentation:

EXCEL: 9.1.1B RESIDENT SOLID WASTE PER CAPITA WORKSHEET

WORD: 9.1.1C PUBLIC DATA FOR MUNICIPAL WASTE

WORD: 9.1.1C WEBSITE LINK

Documentation Details: 9.1.1a Cyril May is the City of Waterbury's Recycling and Refuse Coordinator (indicated in 9.1.1b worksheet). He has filled out the worksheet attached which reports residential solid waste generated per capita for the year; 9.1.1b Attached is the worksheet with the calculation of residential solid waste per capita 9.1.1c Municipal website posting of the solid waste per capita information is included here. At the top of the document a link to where it is posted on the website. 9.1.1c website link is the direct link and screenshot of the webpage button.

Partners: None

9.3 Recycle Additional Materials

40 Points

Approved Information: 9.3.1 - 40 points

Supporting Documentation:

WORD: 9.3.1 DOCUMENTATION OF ADVERTISEMENT AND OUTREACH

WORD: 9.3.1 WORKSHEET

Documentation Details: 9.3.1 is the required worksheet for this action, which has mattresses, plastic containers, electronics, clothing and textiles, and propane tanks 9.3.1 documentation is the evidence of advertisement and outreach for these materials

Partners: None

9.5 Promote Waste Reduction and Reuse

5 Points

Approved Information: 9.5.1 - 5 points

Supporting Documentation:

WORD: 9.5.1 RECYCLING AND REUSE OUTREACH PROGRAM

Documentation Details: 9.5.1 displays the recycling magic shows that occur in Waterbury by Recycling Coordinator Cyril May

Partners: None

10. Optimal Health and Wellness Opportunities

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:

WORD: 10.5.1 HOST A FARMER'S MARKET

PDF: 10.5.2PAYMENTSATFARMERSMARKETSWATERBURY.PDF

Documentation Details: 10.5.1 Brass City Harvest is the non-profit who hosts the markets and the City of Waterbury funds the markets and provides municipal spaces to host the markets. 10.5.2 Brass City Harvest accepts WIC, FMNP as payments.

Partners: 10.5.1 and 10.5.2: Brass City Harvest and the City of Waterbury provides funding and municipal spaces for the market.

10.7 Improve Outdoor Access for All

5 Points

Approved Information: 10.7.1 - 5 points

Supporting Documentation:

WORD: 10.7.1 IMPROVE OUTDOOR ACCESS

Documentation Details: 10.7.1 Desrcibes the 2026 Yoga in the City Program at Chase, Library, and Hamilton Park in Waterbury

Partners: 10.7.1: Yoga in Our City hosted the event and the parks where they were hosted are municipal property.

11. Healthy, Efficient and Diverse Housing

11.2 Grow Sustainable and Affordable Housing Options

45 Points

Approved Information: 11.2.1 - 5; 11.2.2 - 40 points

Supporting Documentation:

WORD: 11.2.1 2025 AFFORDABLE HOUSING APPEALS LIST

PDF: 11.2.2 INCREASE YOUR MUNICIPALITY'S AFFORDABLE HOUSING

WORD: 11.2.2 2020 APPEALS LIST BASELINE YEAR

Documentation Details: 11.2.1 Waterbury has 22.33% affordable housing in the latest documented appeals list from 2025. 11.2.2 Waterbury has increased their affordable housing by 566 units since the baseline year of 2020.

Partners: None

12. Effective, Compassionate Homelessness Prevention

12.2 Increase Public Awareness and Support for Efforts to End Homelessness

5 Points

Approved Information: 12.2.2 - 5 points

Supporting Documentation:

WORD: 12.2.2HOMELESSNESSRESOURCESONMUNICIPALWEBSITE.DOCX

Documentation Details: 12.2.2 - Displays the homelessness resources available and 211 information on the Waterbury municipal website: https://www.waterburyct.org/administration/boards-and-commissions/fair-rent-commission The blurb uses equivalent language that conveys the use of 211 for individuals at risk of having to leave their home and having nowhere to stay.

Partners: None

13. Innovative Strategies and Practices

13.1 Implement Your Own Sustainability Action

10 Points

Approved Information: 13.1.1 - 10 points

Supporting Documentation:

WORD: 13.1.1BRASSCITYPROMISEZONEASSETMAP.DOCX

Documentation Details: 13.1.1 Describes the Brass City Promise Zone Asset Map, how it was created, its purpose, and influence on other municipalities. The Asset Map was created in April 2026.

Partners: 13.1.1: City of Waterbury Mayor's Office, Waterbury Public Schools / Superintendent's Office, Driggs Elementary School, Brass City Charter School, Willow Plaza NRZ Community Center, Waterbury Community Relations Police Department, Bridge to Success, Office of Community Development – City of Waterbury, Waterbury Housing Authority