

BRANFORD

2023 SUSTAINABLE CT

CERTIFICATION SUCCESS REPORT



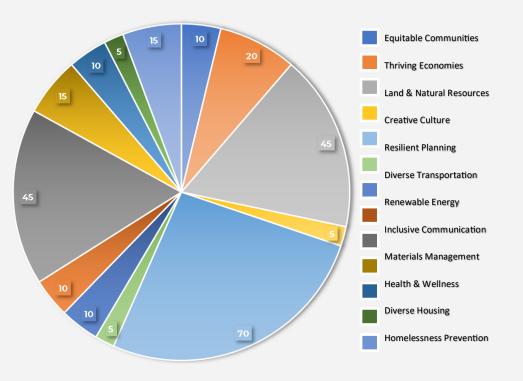


Branford achieved Bronze Certification on September 27, 2023 with 265 points.

Branford registered with Sustainable CT in 2018, and achieved Bronze certification in 2023 with 265 points.

The Town of Branford is a charming coastal town that embodies the best of New England living. Its picturesque shoreline, dotted with sandy beaches and tranquil coves, offers endless opportunities for relaxation and outdoor activities. The vibrant downtown area boasts a rich history, with well-preserved colonial architecture and a thriving arts scene. Branford is known for its welcoming community, excellent schools, and a strong sense of civic pride.

BRONZE 2023: POINTS EARNED BY CATEGORY



Optimizing for Equity with HeatSmart: a Branford Success Story

Branford developed a unique approach to engage and educate residents of its mobile home community. By partnering with New England Conservation Services, members of the HeatSmart team, worked diligently to connect in-person with every resident in the town's three mobile home communities. The Clean Energy Committee led in-person visits and targeted traditionally underserved audiences.

Branford in the Community Match Fund: the Dan Cosgrove Animal Shelter

The Dan Cosgrove Animal Shelter is the first net zero facility of its kind. Through the CMF, they've raised money, awareness and community engagement. Their latest project was to buy an electric vehicle to transport animals to veterinary appointments, adoption events, home meet and greets and more. This vehicle will allow the staff to accomplish their many tasks without emitting greenhouse gases, and significantly reducing their carbon footprint.



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\$134,156

Raised To-Date Thru the Community Match Fund

4

Action Success Stories 18

Sustainability
Actions Completed

265

Certification
Points Earned



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Sustainable CT is a free, voluntary certification program that supports and recognizes thriving and resilient Connecticut municipalities. An independently funded, grassroots effort, Sustainable CT provides a wide-ranging menu of best practices. Municipalities choose Sustainable CT actions, implement them, and earn points toward certification.

Sustainable CT also provides opportunities for grant funding through its **Community Match Fund program** to help communities promote economic well-being and enhance equity, all while respecting the finite capacity of the natural environment. The program is designed to support all Connecticut municipalities, regardless of size, geography, or resources.

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