

# **NEW HAVEN**

**2023 SUSTAINABLE CT** 

**CERTIFICATION SUCCESS REPORT** 

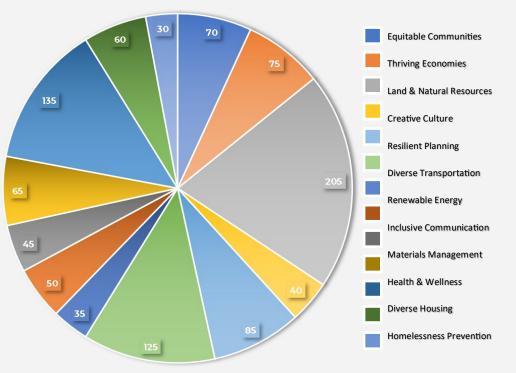




New Haven achieved Gold
Certification on September
27, 2023 with 1010 points,
and Climate Leader
Designation on June 2,
2023.

New Haven is a diverse coastal city known for its rich history and cultural offerings. Home to Yale University, the city boasts a blend of academic excellence and a lively arts district. The local food scene is a highlight, featuring a range of cuisines. Parks and green spaces abound, while the city's transit system facilitates easy navigation. New Haven's sense of community and the fusion of tradition and innovation make it a rewarding place to call home.

#### **GOLD 2023: POINTS EARNED BY CATEGORY**



### **Cultural equity:**

### a New Haven Success Story

New Haven's Cultural Equity Plan is the result of two public-imagining sessions in May 2020, 49 responses from a public survey aimed at New Haven artists, creatives, and residents, and two community focus groups. Released in 2022, New Haven's Cultural Equity Plan is a collection of ideas, stories, questions and practices that New Haven used to manifest cultural equity and weave it into city systems.

### New Haven in the Community Match Fund: creating public art and ecoliteracy

New Haven's 2023 "One Fish, Two Fish" program engaged with students to create a touring exhibit of community artworks paired with bite-size plastic pollution facts. Fish artworks made from single-use plastics, a collectively created exhibit that seeks to inspire humans to reduce their use of single-use plastics. Quickly discarded, a lot of plastic ends up in local waterways, causing many problems for the lives of fish and wildlife.



\$528,823

Raised To-Date Thru the Community Match Fund

18

Action Success Stories 42

Sustainability
Actions Completed

1010

Certification
Points Earned



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