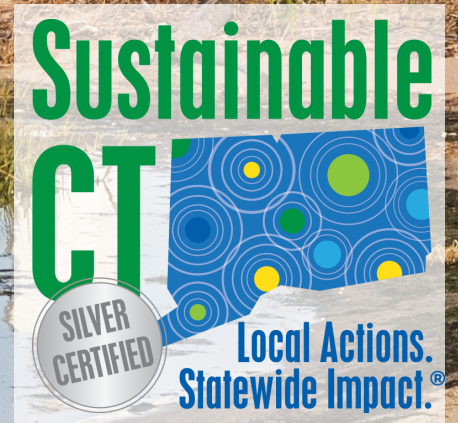




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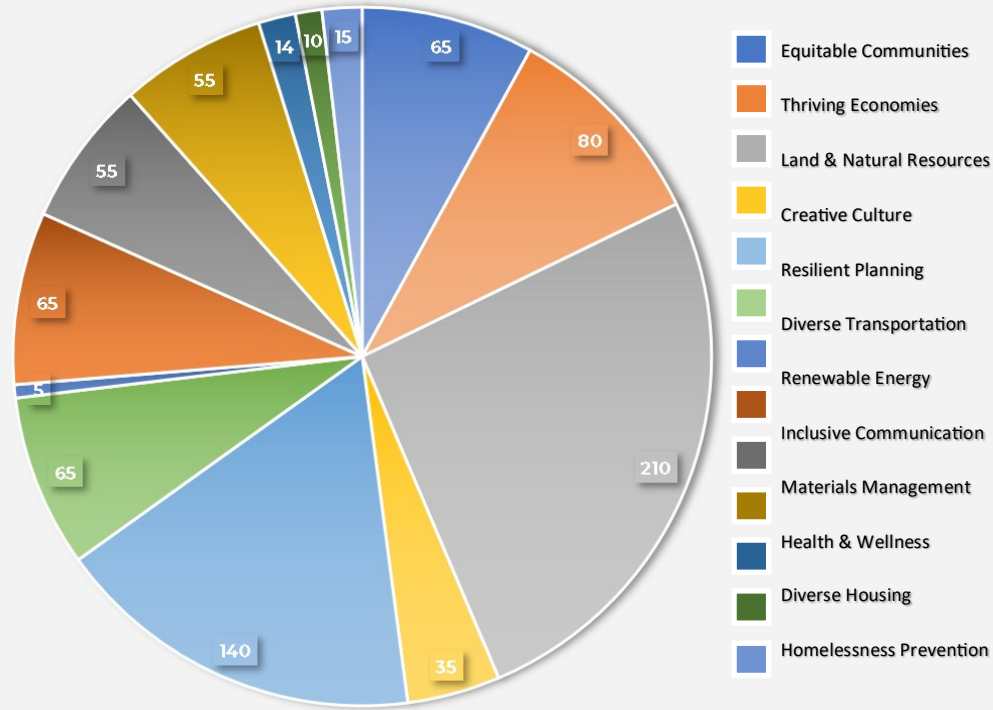


Old Saybrook achieved Silver Certification on September 27, 2023 with 940 points.

Old Saybrook registered with Sustainable CT in 2018. Since registering, the town has held four certifications: Bronze in 2018 and 2019; and Silver in 2020 and 2023. In 2023, Old Saybrook achieved Silver certification with 940 points.

Old Saybrook, “where the Connecticut River meets the Sound,” is one of the oldest towns in Connecticut, first established in 1635. It is a commercial, retail, and small manufacturing center of the lower Connecticut River Valley. Bordered on two sides by the Connecticut River and Long Island Sound, the town embodies the spirit of New England small town living.

SILVER 2023: POINTS EARNED BY CATEGORY



Old Saybrook in the Community Match Fund: North Cove Salt Marsh Habitat Restoration

Friends of North Cove Salt Marsh Habitat Restoration in Old Saybrook worked to remove invasive phragmites from the North Cove salt marshes and restore the area as a natural habitat for birds and other wildlife to nest and feed. The river water and salt marshes around North Cove are particularly important because they serve as an essential habitat, not only for federally listed and globally rare species, but also dozens of state-rare and endangered species.



In support of affordable housing: an Old Saybrook Success Story

Old Saybrook has worked hard to expand affordable housing in the community with the creation of an Affordable Housing Committee, adoption of an extensive affordable housing plan, and efforts to foster and promote the development of accessory dwelling units (ADUs). The town also seeks to increase the number of affordable housing units through USDA/CHFA loans, development incentives, and by identifying property in town for public-private affordable housing partnerships.



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Raised To-Date Thru the Community Match Fund

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Action Success Stories

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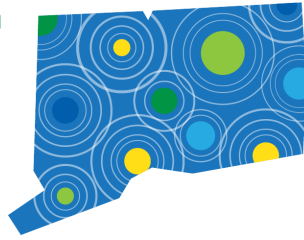
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Sustainable CT also provides opportunities for grant funding through its **Community Match Fund program** to help communities promote economic well-being and enhance equity, all while respecting the finite capacity of the natural environment. The program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



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