

# EAST HADDAM ~2024~

Taking Action  
Making an Impact  
Celebrating Success

## Sustainable

# CT



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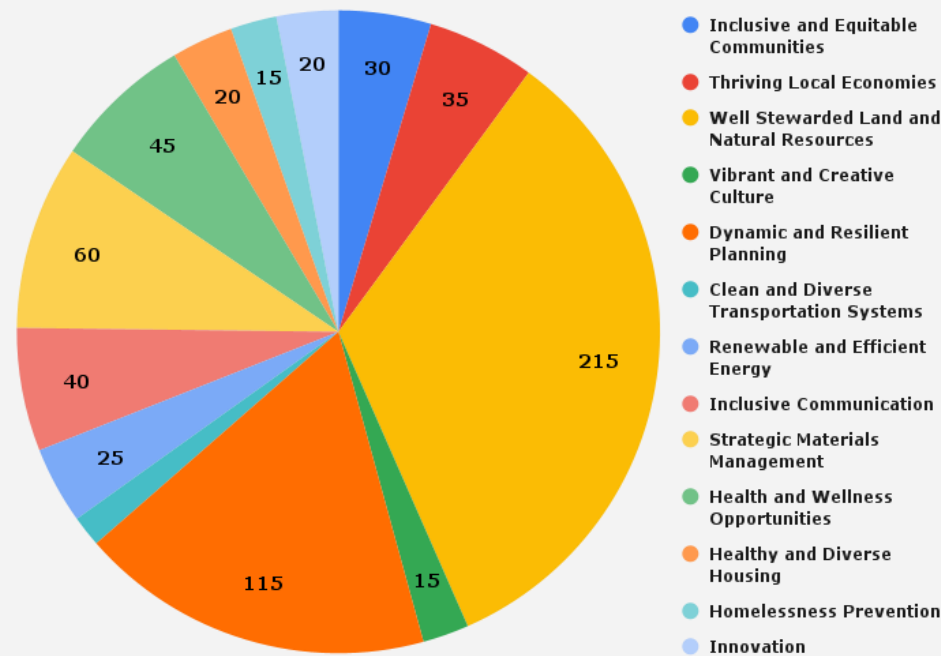




**East Haddam achieved Silver certification with 645 points in the spring of 2024, and Climate Leader Designation with 170 points in the fall of 2024.**

East Haddam, Connecticut, is a charming town known for its scenic beauty, historic sites, and vibrant arts community. Nestled along the Connecticut River, it offers stunning views, outdoor activities, and parks like Devil's Hopyard State Park. The town is home to the iconic Goodspeed Opera House, a renowned theater attracting visitors and performers alike. With its historic landmarks, such as Gillette Castle, and a welcoming small-town atmosphere, East Haddam blends natural beauty, culture, and history, making it an attractive destination for both residents and tourists.

**SILVER 2024: POINTS EARNED BY CATEGORY**



**East Haddam's climate leadership: benchmarking and offsetting energy use**

East Haddam benchmarked and tracked the energy usage of 25 municipal buildings. East Haddam now understands their energy usage and in 2024 reduced their energy usage by 12% as compared to a baseline year. Additionally, East Haddam has offset their total site energy by 24% via a solar array that was created through a C-PACE supported initiative by Shagbark Lumber and Farm Supply which provides electricity to East Haddam Schools!



**Composting: an East Haddam success story**

East Haddam offers a transfer station compost drop-off program and promotes homeowner composting through educational campaigns. The Sustainability Team hosted two free composting workshops, made available on YouTube for those unable to attend. They also tabled at local events and partnered regionally to promote a home composter program, selling composters to residents at a 50% discount.



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**\$8,753**

Raised through the Community Match Fund

**7**

Total Action Success Stories

**33**

Total Sustainability Actions Completed

**645**

Total Certification Points Earned



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# ABOUT Sustainable CT

Local Actions. Statewide Impact.®



Sustainable CT is a free, voluntary certification program that supports and recognizes thriving, resilient Connecticut municipalities. An independently funded, grassroots, municipal 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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