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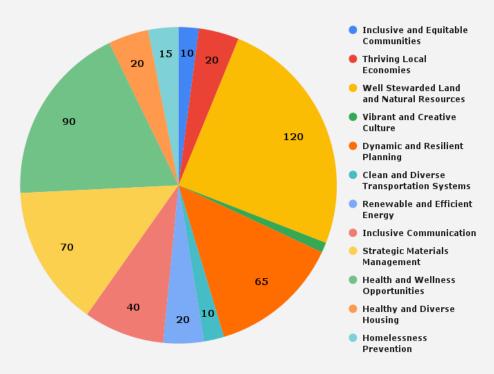




# Ellington achieved Bronze certification in the spring of 2024 with 485 points.

Ellington, CT is a picturesque New England town known for its charming rural atmosphere and scenic landscapes. Rolling hills, expansive farmland, and historic homes give the town a quaint, small-town feel while still being close to modern conveniences. Ellington offers a blend of agricultural heritage and suburban living, with its local farms, farmers' markets. and recreational spaces like Crystal Lake, which is popular for swimming and boating. The town's tight-knit community is reflected in its seasonal events, sports leagues, and schools, making it an appealing place for families. Its peaceful environment and proximity to larger cities make it a desirable place to live.

#### **BRONZE 2024: POINTS EARNED BY CATEGORY**



#### Ellington excels in snow management

Ellington has its municipal staff participate in the CT Green Snow Pro training and developed internal training materials to enhance its sustainable winter operations. The town also offers educational programs for residents, raising awareness about environmentally friendly snow and ice management practices. In addition, Ellington conducts regular inspections of its equipment, and has created and implemented a detailed Snow and Ice Control plan to improve efficiency and safety during winter months.

## Developing agriculture-friendly practices: an Ellington success story

Ellington has effectively partnered with the CT Farmland Trust and the CT Department of Agriculture to educate farmers on farmland preservation options. The town has consistently approved funding to support these efforts, resulting in the protection of an impressive number of farms. This collaboration highlights Ellington's commitment to preserving its agricultural heritage and fostering sustainable land use practices for future generations.





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\$15,435

Raised through the Community Match Fund

Total Action
Success Stories

24

Total Sustainability
Actions Completed

485

Total Certification
Points Earned



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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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