Sustainable CT: Our Vision

Sustainable CT strives to be inclusive, innovative, and collaborative. We are committed to equity, and to creating communities where all are welcome and have the opportunity to thrive. We recognize the natural environment as the foundation for the health and well-being of all people and the strength of the local economy.
Advancing Sustainability Through...

Road Map
Menu of sustainability actions

Resources
Technical assistance and funding

Certification
Recognition and celebration of achievements
Menu of Voluntary Actions

1. Inclusive and Equitable Community Impacts
2. Thriving Local Economies
3. Well-Stewarded Land and Natural Resources
4. Vibrant and Creative Cultural Ecosystems
5. Dynamic and Resilient Planning
6. Clean and Diverse Transportation Systems & Choices
7. Renewable and Efficient Energy Infrastructure & Operations
8. Inclusive Engagement, Communication, & Education
9. Strategic Materials Management
10. Optimal Health and Wellness Opportunities
11. Healthy, Efficient, & Diverse Housing
12. Effective, Compassionate Homelessness Prevention
Certification Overview

**2022 Bronze Certification Requirements**
Complete **1 Equity Toolkit** in Action *Optimize for Equity.*
Complete at least **1 action** in each of the categories (1-12).
Successfully complete actions totaling **200 or more points.**

**2022 Silver Certification Requirements**
Complete **3 Equity Toolkits** in Action *Optimize for Equity.*
Complete at least **1 action** in each of the categories (1-12).
Successfully complete actions totaling **400 or more points.**
Category 12: Effective, Compassionate Homelessness Prevention

- Strengthen municipal capacity
- Increase awareness
- Collect, share data
- Provide resources
Objective: Develop an informed and coordinated response to homelessness within the municipality and in collaboration with the Coordinated Access Networks (CANs)

1. Designate and train a muni rep on homeless services in your municipality

2. In collaboration with CAN, develop a muni Task Force to address homelessness
Objective: *Raise public awareness about homelessness and empower residents and other stakeholders with strategies to address and end homelessness and in collaboration with the CANs*

1. Pass a muni resolution issuing a call-to-action
2. Develop and post info on muni website that includes guidance and resources for those experiencing homelessness and/or housing instability
3. Organize one or more community conversations annually to discuss homelessness and goal of making homelessness rare, brief, and non-recurring
12.3 Collect and Share Homelessness Data

5 Points

Objective: Collect information on all individuals and families experiencing homelessness as a first step in connecting to services and supports

1. In collaboration with CAN, have muni liaison compile collected info on all individuals and families in your muni experiencing literal homelessness, including unsheltered homelessness
Objective: Provide or mobilize resources to address homelessness within your municipality, regionally and/or statewide.

1. Commit dedicated funding to directly address and prevent homelessness (as part of muni budget, grant, fundraising)

2. Ensure that individuals experiencing literal homelessness within your municipality have locations where they can safely access services and stay 24 hours a day, especially in extreme weather
Lynn Stoddard
Executive Director, Sustainable CT
lynns@sustainablect.org

www.sustainablect.org
info@sustainablect.org

@sustainablect