# Sustainable CT Local Actions. Statewide Impact.® Climate Leader Designation

Sustainable CT is excited to offer a Climate Leader Designation, celebrating municipalities that are reducing harmful greenhouse gas emissions and preparing their communities for the impacts of climate change, while saving money, improving public health, and building community. The Climate Leader Designation is optional for Bronze and Silver certified communities, and required for Gold certification.

#### **No-Cost Assistance Opportunities**

Sustainable CT offers a variety of <u>no-cost</u> <u>assistance programs</u> intended to help communities complete actions, and we have several that line up with the actions included on the Climate Leader Designation page.



#### **Community Match Fund Support**

Sustainable CT's <u>Community Match</u> <u>Fund</u> is an innovative program that provides fast, flexible funding and support for engaging your community on wide-ranging sustainability projects.



The pathway to becoming a Climate Leader is straightforward:

- Any town certified, or that successfully applies for (re)certification, is eligible.
- Choose from a <u>suite of</u> <u>specific actions</u>.
- Build on your current certification – you may use points already earned.
- Achieve at least 150 points to become a Climate Leader.
- Apply directly through your municipal dashboard.

We're currently offering a Climate Change/Clean Energy Amplifier Fund as part of the Community Match Fund to support energy efficiency, renewable energy, and greenhouse gas emissions reducing projects. Eligible projects receive dollar-for-dollar matching funds from Sustainable CT.

### **Climate Leader Webinar Series**

Sustainable CT is hosting informational webinars to help communities pursue actions included in the Climate Leader Designation. Topics range from electric vehicle and energy storage programs to managing woodlands and tracking solid waste.





## Find more information at sustainablect.org