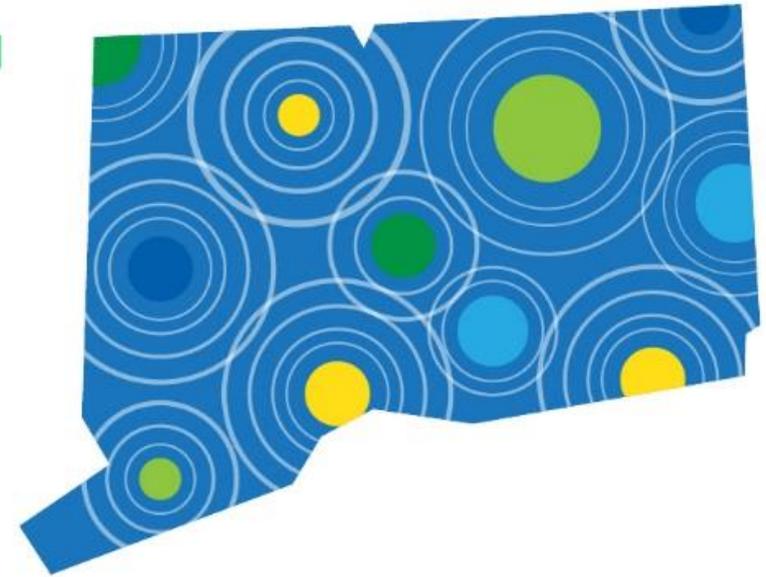


Sustainable CT

Local Actions. Statewide Impact.



Presentation to Simsbury Board of Selectmen
February 11, 2019



- **Road map.** A menu of coordinated, voluntary actions to promote sustainability.
- **Resources.** Support, including funding and grants, to help municipalities implement actions.
- **Certification.** To recognize municipalities for their sustainability achievements.
- **Flexibility.** Meeting the needs of *all* municipalities, urban or rural, big or small.
- **Livability.** More sustainable, efficient, healthy, safe, resilient, thriving municipalities.



Sustainable CT communities strive to be...

...thriving, resilient, collaborative, and forward-looking. They build community and local economy. They equitably promote the health and well-being of current and future residents. And they respect the finite capacity of the natural environment.

Menu of Voluntary Actions



- Clean and diverse **transportation** systems and choices
- Efficient **physical infrastructure and operations**
- Strategic and inclusive **public services**
- Dynamic and resilient **planning**
- Well-stewarded **land and natural resources**
- Thriving **local economies**
- Healthy, efficient and diverse **housing**
- Vibrant and creative **cultural ecosystems**
- **Inclusive and equitable** community impacts



One Program – Many Benefits



Environmental Impacts



Economic Well-Being



Greenhouse Gas Reductions



Climate Resilience



Health and Wellness



Community Building



Cost Savings



Equity

Additional Benefits: Peer Sharing and Visibility

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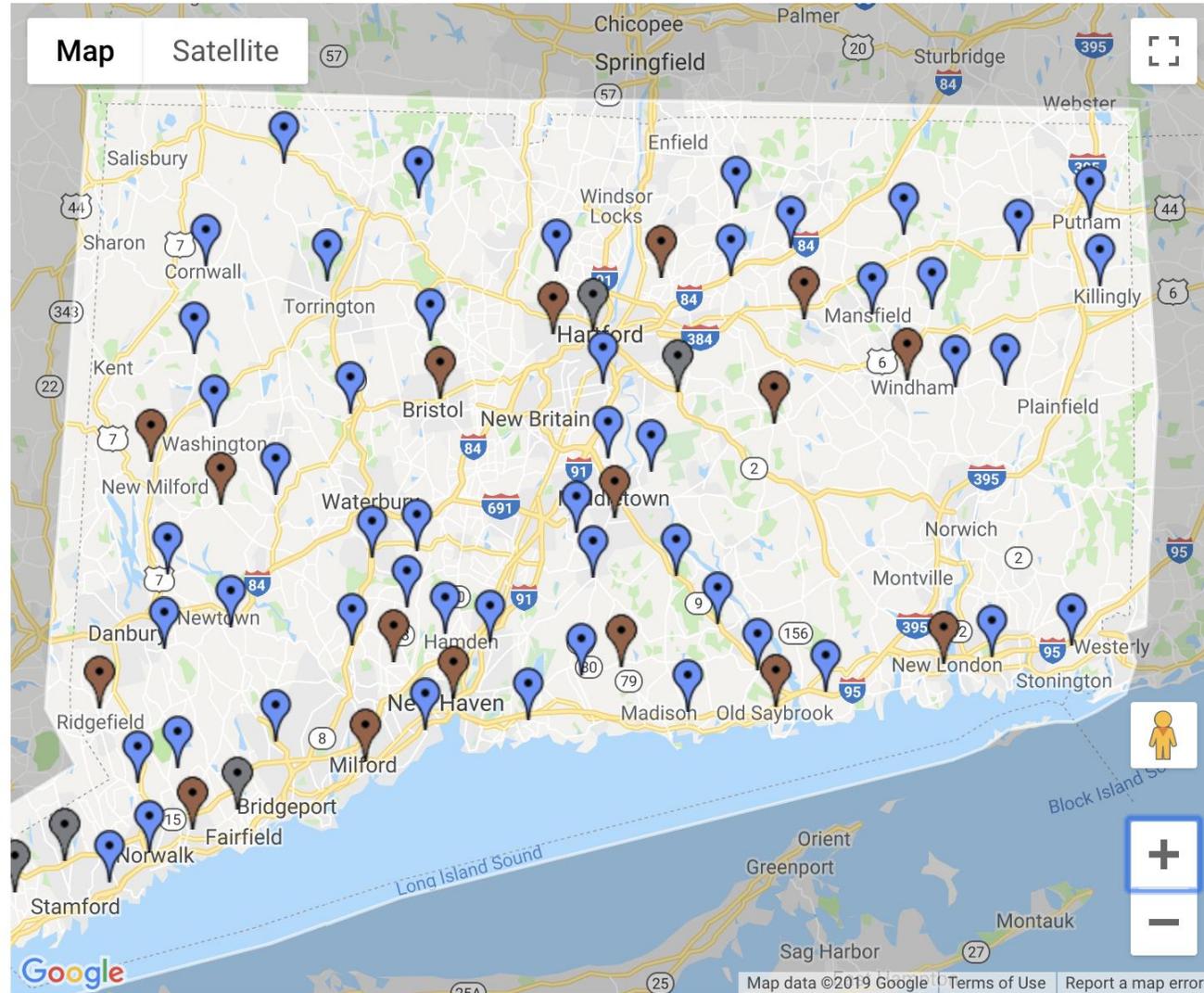
1. Thriving Local Economies

2. Well-Stewarded Land and Natural Resources

3. Vibrant and Creative Cultural Ecosystems

4. Dynamic and Resilient Planning

5. Clean and Diverse Transportation Systems and Choices



Process / Timeline

- Pass a resolution – Board of Selectmen
 - Statement of Intent
 - Designation of Municipal Official or Staff as point of contact
 - Establish an Advisory Sustainability Team
- Apply for Certification
 - Outreach, Workshops, Assistance
 - May 2, 2019 – Pre-read submission deadline
 - August 30, 2019 - Final application submission deadline for certification (Rolling, 3 years)
 - Mid October – Notification of decision
 - Late October – Awards ceremony at CT Conference of Municipalities
- Complete Actions (Past efforts count)
 - Bronze – Complete 1 Equity Tool Kit, 1 action in each of 9 categories, and additional actions totaling 200+ points
 - Silver – Complete 3 Equity Tool Kits, 1 action in each of 9 categories, and additional actions totaling 400+ points

Sustainable Simsbury Project Team

- Representatives from boards and commissions
 - Clean Energy Task Force
 - Recycling Committee
 - Bike-Pedestrian Committee
 - Conservation Commission
 - Economic Development Commission
- Town staff representatives from:
 - Public Works
 - Planning Department
 - Culture, Parks and Recreation
- Various other town government departments, boards and commissions on an as-needed basis (e.g., Boards of Education & Finance, Tourism Committee, Open Space Committee)
- Others?