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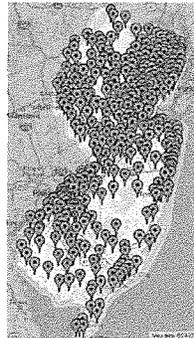
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57 Municipalities Achieve Sustainable Jersey Certification

Congratulations to all **57 municipalities** that achieved Sustainable Jersey certification as a result of the June 2015 certification cycle. In total the certifications include: 16 newly certified bronze, 31 recertified bronze, and 10 recertified silver. This brings the total certification statistics to: [196 certified overall](#), [163 certified bronze](#), [33 certified silver](#). Additionally, there are now 432 municipalities participating in the program with the addition of Folsom Borough last week.



Find out if your town was certified this year on our [2015 Certified Municipalities page](#).

Thank you to all towns for your hard work this year. We hope next year will be even more successful! For more information about the 2016 application deadline, click [HERE](#).

2015 Gardinier Environmental Fund Small Grant Recipients Announced



Congratulations to the 14 municipalities and school districts that were selected to receive Sustainable Jersey small grants funded by the Gardinier Environmental Fund. Four \$30,000 grants and ten \$10,000 grants were distributed to fund projects including an energy resiliency microgrid study, energy curricula in schools, energy efficiency and renewable energy upgrades to buildings, and more. To date the Gardinier Environmental Fund has provided \$385,000 to the Sustainable Jersey Small Grants program. To read about the projects funded, click [HERE](#).

Funding Available for Schools and Municipalities



Sustainable Jersey is pleased to announce that the PSEG Foundation is contributing \$100,000 to support a Small Grants Program cycle for schools and \$200,000 to support a Small Grants Program cycle for municipalities. These funding cycles will encourage schools and municipalities to implement projects that make progress toward a sustainable future.

The Sustainable Jersey for Schools cycle will award four (4) \$10,000 grants to school districts or schools, and thirty (30) capacity building grants to support school green teams. **The application deadline is Sunday, January 24, 2016.** For more information, click [HERE](#).

The Sustainable Jersey Municipal cycle will award four (4) \$20,000, eight (8) \$10,000 and twenty (20) \$2,000 grants to municipalities. **The application deadline is Sunday, February 7, 2016.** For more information, click [HERE](#).

Informational Webinar Recordings

Informational webinars were held to review the online application process, requirements, and tips for successful applications. To view the Schools webinar and presentation click [HERE](#). To view the Municipal webinar and presentation click [HERE](#).

Sustainable Jersey Upcoming Webinars

Moving Up to Silver Certification

Is your municipality interested in attaining silver certification? If so, then you should attend this webinar to get tips from silver certified municipalities and Sustainable Jersey staff on how to make the transition, and the actions that can set you on the fast path to silver!

Wednesday, January 20, 2016, 1:00pm - 2:00pm

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Healthy Decisions - Healthy Communities

Communities routinely make decisions concerning the built environment that have direct and indirect impacts on the physical and mental health of their residents. But oftentimes the relationship between these decisions and the health outcomes are overlooked, resulting in missed opportunities and even unintended consequences.

Health in All Policies (HiAP) is a strategic approach to decision-making that seeks out the potential health impacts of land use development, ordinances, plans and other public policies, and identifies opportunities to improve health through those decisions.

This webinar will review the basic principles of HiAP, and provide an overview of new actions (activities) for Sustainable Jersey's municipal certification program - including two amended Complete Streets actions and a new HiAP training action that will help communities realize their vision of healthier places and healthier people. We'll also feature a case study of a health impact assessment in Hoboken that focused on the city's pending stormwater management plan.

Tuesday, January 26, 2016, 1:00pm - 2:00pm

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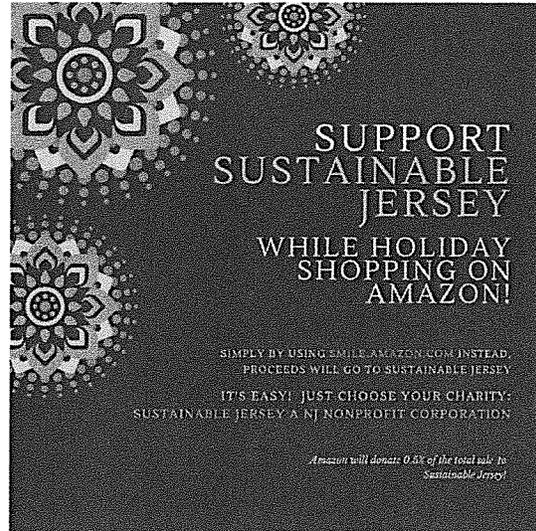
Training Opportunity

2016 Environmental Stewards Training Program

Rutgers Cooperative Extension is now accepting applications for the 2016 Environmental Stewards Training Program. This award winning course offers information and experience on a wide range of environmental topics, preparing participants to engage in and help to solve environmental problems in New Jersey. Weekly evening sessions are offered at five locations around the state from January to May. For more information including the full program brochure and registration forms, click [HERE](#).

Something to Smile About :)

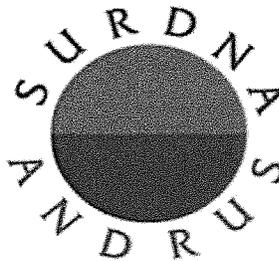
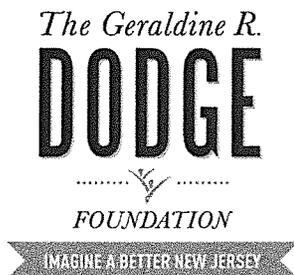
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