



TOWN OF EAST HAMPTON

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INTRODUCING.... GREEN EAST HAMPTON



A new page on the East Hampton Town website highlights the Town's accomplishments in environmental protection and sustainability

From green landscaping and renewable energy efforts and opportunities, coastal resiliency planning, the town's electric vehicle fleet and public EV charging stations, to land preservation and water quality improvement projects as well as proactive policies and future plans, East Hampton Town is in the forefront in adopting and promoting sustainable practices

East Hampton Town's dedication to protecting, preserving, and enhancing the community's natural resources, landscapes, and safety in the face of climate change and other environmental threats has been recognized by local, state, and national agencies and organizations, including New York State and the Sierra Club.

A new "Green East Hampton" section of the Town website, at <https://eamptonny.gov/840/Green-East-Hampton>, will provide a way to learn about the many Town of East Hampton projects and policies that work to protect our ecosystems and community.

The page, still under development, includes a recently updated list of East Hampton's accomplishments related to green energy and sustainability since 2013. Other items and links will be added regularly.

The Town's efforts, led by the East Hampton Town Board, the Town's Natural Resources Department, and an energy and sustainability advisory committee, have earned East Hampton

designations as a certified NYS Climate Smart Community (the first on LI), a NYSERDA (NYS Energy Research and Development Authority) Clean Energy Community, and a Clean Energy Leadership award by the Long Island Clean Energy Leadership Task Force and Sustainability Institute at Molloy College.

The Town has achieved a number of successful grant applications, with awards issued to East Hampton for projects such as development of the Coastal Assessment Resiliency Plan and for innovative water quality projects like the installation of “permeable reactive barriers” to trap pollutants around Three Mile Harbor.

Ongoing land preservation, such as the town’s largest farmland acquisition to date, of 32 acres at the center of Amagansett, plays a central role in townwide environmental protection.

Through the Energize East Hampton program, the Town has made energy audits and incentives available to residents and local businesses for solar energy systems, energy efficiency projects, and green heating and cooling systems. The Town’s Solarize East Hampton campaign has resulted in more than 165 rooftop solar installations. Visit <https://energizeeh.org/>.

Under a “Climate Emergency Declaration” issued by the Town Board last year, the Town has committed to making climate mitigation and the elimination of greenhouse gas emissions a guiding principle and objective of all municipal operations, including purchasing and planning and zoning decisions.

Completion of a town “100-Percent Renewable Energy Roadmap,” to reach the goal of meeting community-wide energy consumption with renewables by 2030, is under way.

Learn about Green East Hampton at <https://ehamptonny.gov/840/Green-East-Hampton>