

Everywhere I look I see more and more momentum building towards a more sustainable future and Southbury was no exception to this in 2021! We are delighted with our progress, not the least of which was joining the over 75% of CT towns working to become [certified sustainable towns](#)! What makes a community sustainable? It is more than clean air and water, it is about reducing energy use, reducing waste, supporting local businesses, cleaner energy, cars, air, and water, and things like lower-cost housing, arts, culture, resilience, pedestrian-friendly streets, and homelessness. Come and join us as we take this journey together to create the community we would want for ourselves, our children, and our grandchildren! [Contact](#) us, check out our [website](#) or [Facebook](#) page and come see us at our Energy Fair and Green Expo, in April. Details are below.



2021 Highlights

Spreading the Word



We were at the Strawberry and Apple Festivals and the Southbury Farmers Market every Thursday talking about recycling, reducing waste, food scrap recycling. We met a lot of Southbury residents, and invite you to join us as we return this year. It is an easy, fun way to spread the word!

Becoming a Certified Sustainable Town!



It's official and Southbury is already well on our way to Bronze certification! Sustainable CT rewards towns for sustainability "actions". This is a great way to advance sustainability in our community and help shape the community we aspire to. They and we are committed to creating communities in an equitable and inclusive manner where all are welcome and all can thrive.

Food Scrap Recycling



What if we could create a town-wide food scrap recycling program? We gathered best practices, met with haulers, and began conversations with the Town and Heritage village. We are investigating locations for drop-off centers where residents could bring food scraps. We want to hear your ideas about this!

Adopt - A - Shelf



Did you know Sustainable Southbury sponsors a shelf at the Southbury Food Bank? We collect and donate cans of applesauce and fruit once a month. A Big Thank You to all who donate and to our Collection Volunteers. More volunteers are needed - please email us with the subject line "Add to Adopt a Shelf" and we will add you to the email list.

Reducing Plastics



We are working to increase resident and business awareness of the plastics problem, reduce the use of styrofoam, and reduce single-use plastics in all environments including our homes. If you would like to participate, please email us with the subject line "Add to Plastics".

Events and Meetings

EVENTS

Senior Center: Save money & time! We will help you think of food in a whole new way. 2/16/22 from 1:00 - 2:00 pm.

Food Bank Donations for Sustainable Southbury's Adopt-A-Shelf, 2nd Saturday of the month 11:30-12:30

MEETINGS

Energy Fair & Green Expo Planning - Every Monday, 7 pm.

Food Scrap Recycling - Monthly, 3rd Wednesday 7 pm.

Full Team Meeting - Monthly, 4th Thursday, 7 pm.

Plastic Recycling - Monthly, 2nd Tuesday of the Month

SustainableCT - Every Tuesday, 9 am.

Energy Fair and Green Expo

SOUTHBURY ENERGY FAIR AND GREEN EXPO

Saturday, April 23, 2022

10:00am - 2:00 pm

Rain Date - next day

Town Hall Green

501 Main Street South

CLEAN ENERGY

Solar
Heat Pumps/Wire Splits
Home Energy Solutions

CLEAN AIR & WATER

Pond, River Watershed
Audubon
Southbury Land Trust

ELECTRIC VEHICLES

EV Cars & Bikes
EV Chargers
EV Bikes

ZERO WASTE

Recycling
Food Waste
Plastics

KIDS ACTIVITIES

Face Painting
Live Music
Games, Yoga, and More

LOCAL

Restaurants
Local Shops
Local Contractors

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