

A vibrant green field with several dandelions in various stages of bloom. Some dandelions are fully open, showing their white seed heads, while others are just starting to grow. A few ladybugs are visible on the green grass blades. The background is a soft, out-of-focus green.

BOROUGH OF GLASSBORO, NEW JERSEY

PRESS RELEASE

Glassboro Achieves Second Bronze Sustainable Jersey Certification

Sustainable Jersey representatives announced today that Glassboro has met the rigorous requirements to achieve Sustainable Jersey certification. Glassboro is one of 64 towns that have attained certification in 2018. Sustainable Jersey's participating communities represent over half the state's municipalities and nearly 89 percent of its population.

"The Borough of Glassboro congratulates all the Green Team members who continually raise environmental awareness in our schools, homes, and communities through Green Team activities," said Mayor John Wallace III. "This important Borough Commission helps everyone take action to protect our natural resources, and brings to life sustainable practices."

To become Sustainable Jersey certified, Glassboro submitted documentation to show it had completed a balance of the required sustainability actions, meeting a minimum of 150 action points. In addition to reaching 150 points, each certified community had to create a green team and select at least two out of 12 priority action options. Glassboro did 15 of the 12 priority actions by completing actions relative to 1) diversity on boards and commissions, 2) energy tracking and management, 3) energy efficiency for municipal facilities 4) fleet inventory, 5) municipal carbon footprint, 6) natural resource inventory, 7) prescription drug safety and disposal, 8) recycling and waste reduction education and compliance, 9) sustainable land use pledge, and 10) water conservation ordinance]

"Congratulations to the municipal staff, green team volunteers and community members who have worked hard to achieve Sustainable Jersey certification," said Randy Solomon, the executive director of Sustainable Jersey. "The Sustainable Jersey certified towns demonstrate leadership and are a testament to how much we can accomplish toward the

long-term goal of a sustainable New Jersey.” Certified towns excelled in areas such as improving energy efficiency and health and wellness, reducing waste, sustaining local economies, protecting natural resources and advancing the arts. Collectively, the 448 participating Sustainable Jersey towns are a powerful force in New Jersey.

Glassboro is a progressive community, always looking to the future. In a partnership between the municipality, Rowan University and local public schools, the future of education and sustainable livability is being created.

About Sustainable Jersey

Sustainable Jersey provides tools, training and financial incentives to support communities as they pursue sustainability programs. Currently, 79 percent or 448 of New Jersey’s 565 municipalities are participating in the municipal certification program and 320 school districts and 825 schools are participating in the Sustainable Jersey for Schools certification program.

Sustainable Jersey’s partners include the New Jersey State League of Municipalities, Sustainability Institute at The College of New Jersey, the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection and the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities Clean Energy Program. Program underwriters include the Geraldine R. Dodge Foundation, New Jersey Board of Public Utilities Clean Energy Program, the Surdna Foundation, and the PSEG Foundation. The Sustainable Jersey Grants program for municipalities is funded by PSEG Foundation and the Gardinier Environmental Fund. Platinum sponsors are South Jersey Gas and New Jersey Natural Gas. Silver Sponsors are NJM Insurance Group, Bayshore Recycling, and Elizabethtown Gas. The Bronze Sponsors are Covanta, Greener by Design, Jersey Central Power and Light, New Jersey American Water, Good Energy, Florio, Perrucci, Steinhardt & Cappelli LLC, and Ørsted.

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