



## Reach for the Stars! NEW Gold Star Standard

The Gold Star Standard is a new level of recognition for silver certified municipalities. Silver certified municipalities are eligible to earn Gold Star recognition for achieving high levels of performance in key dimensions of sustainability. Gold Stars will be awarded one dimension of sustainability at a time. The first Sustainable Jersey Gold Star Standards focus on Energy and Waste. For more information on the Gold Star Standard, visit our [website](#).



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## Sustainable Jersey Upcoming Webinar

### Commit Your Town to Climate Progress: Go for the Sustainable Jersey Gold Star in Energy

If you've been wondering what you can do locally to achieve climate commitments, this webinar will help you understand how your municipal actions can have a collective impact in New Jersey. Learn how your municipality can meet GHG reduction targets in line with the Paris Climate Agreement by implementing Sustainable Jersey's energy actions. Find out how these efforts can help your municipality achieve a Gold Star in Energy.

**Wednesday, June 28, 2017, 1:00pm - 2:00pm**

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### The Art of Sustainability: Creative Placemaking and Your Community

This webinar will provide an overview of all of the Arts and Creative Culture actions in the Sustainable Jersey program, and will focus on the newest action, [Municipal Commitments to Arts and Creative Culture](#), which rewards municipalities for building a more welcoming environment for artistic and cultural activity through land use ordinances and other regulations, contractual relationships with cultural organizations, municipal ownership of spaces reserved for cultural and creative activities, tax abatements that help creative people to live or work in the community, and art-specific strategies in the municipality's Master Plan. Speakers will talk about how they have utilized their creative assets to make their communities more vibrant, both economically and artistically.

**Wednesday, July 26, 2017, 1:00pm - 2:00pm**

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## Other Upcoming Events

### Citizen Science Workshop

Learn about the importance of coastal habitats and how they keep you safe from storms and other coastal hazards. See what New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection and our partners are doing to help restore the coast by working with nature to build resilient communities and wildlife habitat. Learn how you can become part of it by becoming a Citizen Scientist and monitor projects in Atlantic City, Brigantine, Upper Township, and Secaucus.

**Friday, June 23, 2017, 11:45am - 3:30pm**

Brigantine Community Center

265 42nd Street, Brigantine, NJ 08203

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