

# **Sustainable Jersey Certification Report**

This is the Sustainable Jersey Certification Report of Mount Arlington Boro, a Sustainable Jersey bronze certified applicant.

Mount Arlington Boro was certified on October 08, 2012 with 200 points. Listed below is information regarding Mount Arlington Boro's Sustainable Jersey efforts and materials associated with the applicant's certified actions.

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# **Actions Implemented**

Each approved action and supporting documentation for which Mount Arlington Boro was approved for in 2012 appears below. Note: Standards for the actions below may have changed and the documentation listed may no longer satisfy requirements for that action. Additionally, points associated with actions prior to 2013 certifications may not be accurate.

# **Community Partnership & Outreach**





😤 Bronze Required

**Program Summary:** The Borough of Mt. Arlington created a Green Team which we call M.A.G.I.C. (Mount Arlington Green Initiatives Committee) in 2009. Since the creation of M.A.G.I.C., we have found the most rewarding experience has been the way in which the actions get the entire community involved. From the Borough employees, Board of Education, students to the residents.

Everyone is so excited to take part. The Green Team has a website (http://mtagreen.org/index.html) and Facebook page which they utilize as outreach tools.

PDF: <u>GREEN TEAM PROCLAMATION</u> PDF: <u>GREEN TEAM SUMMARY</u> PDF: <u>LETTER OF INTENT</u>

#### **Community Education & Outreach**



**Program Summary:** The Borough has maintained a local public education program, in combination with their NJDEP classification, for their Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan. The educational program has consisted of posting information on the borough website, having a stormwater display, performing a stormwater educational mailing, and performing ordinance education. This program has to be certified by the NJDEP to meet their educational standards among many other required items. The attached files are the mailer and pamphlet that is circulated, the assessment of the program, and the 2011 NJDEP certification. On the NJDEP certification please refer to pages 3 of 9 and 4 of 9 for the Local Public Education Program. You can also find additional information on the MAGIC website: http://mtagreen.org/4.html The borough believes in this education program to protect many of its natural resources. Most importantly, the Borough borders the largest man-made lake in New Jersey; Lake Hopatcong. Protecting this resource has been a combined effort with the other bordering municipalities and the Lake Hopatcong Commission.

PDF: <u>EDUCATIONAL MATERIALS</u> PDF: <u>ASSESSMENT</u> PDF: <u>NJDEP CERTIFICATION</u>

**Diversity & Equity** 

#### Lead Education & Outreach Programs



**Program Summary:** The Borough of Mount Arlington Green Team yearned to be proactive in obtaining the credits for lead education and outreach because of the inherit benefit to Borough residents, especially children. Many homes scattered throughout the Borough were constructed prior to 1978 in which the federal lead paint ban was enacted; some of these homes have also been subject to renovations throughout the decades. Please refer to the website: http://mtagreen.org/15.html

PDF: LEAD EDUCATION APPROACH

PDF: BROCHURE

#### **Fleet Inventory**



😫 Bronze Priority 🔮 Silver Priority

**Program Summary:** The Borough of Mount Arlington respectively submits the Fleet Inventory report and accompanying spreadsheet to summarize their vehicle fleet inventory, fleet efficiency, alternative fuel explorations and to summarize recommendations for improvements. Mt. Arlington participates in the New Jersey Clean Cities Coalition of which the Borough Mayor is a board member. The Borough has evaluated their vehicle maintenance procedures and driver training as well as explore alternative fueling options and identified target goals.

EXCEL: FLEET INVENTORY PDF: FLEET INVENTORY REPORT

Food





**Program Summary:** Mount Arlington, as part of their mayor's wellness campaign, held a farmer's market. They hosted one local farm, Anderson Farms, each Saturday from 9 am to 2 pm beginning in July and it is slated to last throughout October. They are holding the market at the Mount Arlington Elk's Club which is the ideal location for a market. The Borough's main form of support for the market has been advertising. The market has been advertised on numerous signs throughout town and utilizing the borough website. In addition to advertising the Borough took the initiative to set up the market and has been coordinating with the farm. The turnout has been impressive and residents have expressed their support at each event. Members of the Green Team have been on hand during select farmer's markets to interact with residents and provide information of the Borough's other offerings.

PDF: FARMER'S MARKET DOCUMENTS

**Health & Wellness** 

#### **Building Healthier Communities**



**Program Summary:** Mount Arlington assembled a Mayors Wellness Committee in 2009. Since then the committee has been on the forefront working in the community, not just within the parameters of this event, but reaching out to our residents, in the schools, work place and at home. Discussions focusing on how healthy eating and exercise is not only essential for our well being, but by adapting a healthy life style our environment is affected as well. The Borough Website also provides information on this campaign:

http://mountarlingtonnj.org/commissions/wellness-committee/wellness-news

WORD: <u>WELLNESS RESOLUTION</u> PDF: <u>MWC - SUMMARY</u> PDF: <u>MWC - CONTINUING PROGRAMS</u>

## **Anti-Idling Education & Enforcement Program**

#### 10 Points

**Program Summary:** Both schools and the municipality have been proactive with regard to the anti-idling campaign. Our police department enforces the state statutes, our schools have posted no idling signs and we have a resolution. Since 1998 we have been aware of the dangers of idling on the environment and have taken the necessary steps to stop idling:; not just for the employees, but having information easily accessible to our residents. Flyers are available in all municipal buildings and have been distributed to business owners through the years. The picture of our signs posted at the school would not upload for some reason. The signs are metal, just like no parking signs, and are in front of both schools.

PDF: <u>NO IDLING ZONES MAP</u> PDF: <u>NO IDLING RESOLUTION</u> PDF: <u>NO IDLING DOCUMENTATION</u>

#### Land Use & Transportation

#### Sustainable Land Use Pledge



😫 Bronze Priority 🔮 Silver Priority

**Program Summary:** Our Land Use Pledge, prior to adoption, had been discussed and tailored at 3 Land Use Board meetings prior to being submitted for passage to the Council. The discussions engaged not only board members, but engineers and legal council. After presenting the written resolution to the council, the council discussed it again through two sessions and finally passed it. We are a very small Borough and take any and all resolutions very seriously. These resolutions are not just for points, but act as a template for the over all good of the community. For this reason, the resolution was constructed so that it would be an asset to the Borough. The resolution was then distributed to the Land Use Attorney and the Land Use Secretary who then were responsible for passing the resolution to the nine board members and four alternate members. The Borough has a combined Land Use Board which handles the business of both the Planning Board and the Zoning Board of Adjustment.

#### PDF: SUSTAINABLE LAND USE PLEDGE

#### **Local Economies**

#### Support Local Businesses



**Program Summary:** The borough houses a wide variety of businesses and has begun a campaign to support local businesses. The actions that have been implemented thus far have been notifying the businesses of the campaign and creating a listing of all local businesses which is available for distribution and has been posted on the borough's website: http://mountarlingtonnj.org/wp-content/uploads/2012/08/Community-Business-Directory.pdf) The Borough also has future plans to enhance this program such as creating a local business "circular"

PDF: QUALITATIVE ASSESSMENT PDF: LOCAL BUSINESS DIRECTORY

**Natural Resources** 

## Water Conservation Education Program

and organizing and creating a Borough Chamber of Commerce.



**Program Summary:** The Green Team and the Borough of Mount Arlington have taken numerous steps to educate Borough residents about methods of water conservation. The borough has outdoor water use restrictions in place and MAGIC has implemented a water conservation campaign. The water conservation campaign has consisted of tabling at numerous borough events, posting information on the website (http://mtagreen.org/13.html) and making the information available at the public library's information desk.

PDF: WATER CONSERVATION WORKSHEET PDF: EDUCATIONAL MATERIALS PDF: TABLE FLYER

**Sustainability & Climate Planning** 

## **Community Asset Mapping**



**Program Summary:** MAGIC and the Borough have approached this action by first defining "assets". The borough's assets have been defined as its: opportunities, current recreational resources, utility infrastructure, natural habitats, zoning, transit and pedestrian and bicycle routes. These maps were created utilizing GIS databases and are available for residents, business owners and employees and visitors.

PDF: <u>MAPPING DOCUMENTS</u> PDF: <u>ASSESSMENT</u>

**Waste Management** 





**Program Summary:** During the summer months, backyard composting brochures were distributed during various community events, such as the Borough weekly farmer's market and the recreational movie night. A large number of residents were very interested in backyard composting and asked great fundamental questions. The Borough is working with the County to provide low cost composting barrels to residents to embark on this sustainable endeavor.

PDF: <u>TABLING FLYER</u> PDF: <u>HANDOUT MATERIALS</u>

**Grass - Cut It and Leave It Program** 



**Program Summary:** This flyer is available at the library's information table, on the M.A.G.I.C. website and was handed out during tabling efforts by the Green Team in the past year. One landscape company is located within the Borough, Fullerton Landscapes and the flyer was shared with them electronically.

PDF: GRASS CUT-IT AND LEAVE-IT FLYE

**Recycling Depot** 



**Program Summary:** Mt. Arlington established a recycling depot. Our depot collects nonferrous/aluminum scrap, #1&2 plastic, glass, aluminum containers, corrugated, newspaper, mixed office & other paper/mag/junk mail, grass clippings and leaves. Mt. Arlington, in addition to the depot, also provides our residents with curbside pick-up or recyclables, alternating weeks, of comingled and newspaper/corrugated.

WORD: <u>RECYCLING DEPOT DESCRIPTION</u> PDF: <u>RECYCLING INFORMATION</u> PDF: <u>PICTURE OF RECYCLING DEPOT</u>