



Application Checklist for Gold Star in Health

Municipality: _____

County: _____

Name of Person Completing Checklist: _____

Email: _____

Check each of the actions completed by the municipality within the current certification cycle or previously approved and unexpired. Non-required actions must be drawn from at least 3 Health Gold categories (*italicized in the list below*) and should address the community needs prioritized in your Local Health Assessment.

*EG = counts towards Energy Gold Star | *WG = counts towards Water Gold Star

Required Actions: (all 3 must be completed to earn Gold Star in Health)

- Local Health Assessment & Action Plan** – Steps 1 and 2
- Best Practices for Local Boards of Health** (*Municipal Governance*)
- Integrating Health in Municipal Decision Making** (*Municipal Governance*) – 10 point minimum

High Impact Actions (check at least two):

- Bicycle and/or Pedestrian Improvement Projects** (*Transportation & Mobility*) – at Tier 1 level
- Brownfields Assessment & Investigation** (*Land Use*) – 15 point minimum
- Coastal Vulnerability Assessment** (*Land Use*)
- Community Food Pantry/Bank and Soup Kitchen** (*Food Access*) – 10 point minimum
- Complete & Green Streets for All Policy** (*Transportation & Mobility*) – at Tier 2 level
- Enhanced Stormwater Management Control Ordinance** (*Water Quality*) – at Tier 1 level, *WG
- Expanded Supplemental Food Programs** (*Food Access*) – 10 point minimum
- Green Infrastructure Implementation** (*Water Quality*) – at Tier 1 level, *WG
- Healthy Homes Inspection & Training** (*Housing*) – Tier 2
- Lead Blood Screening Campaign** (*Wellness & Recreation*) – Tier 2 + one other tier of choice
- Promoting Safe Food Donation for Food Security** (*Food Access*)
- Private Well Outreach and Testing** (*Water Quality*) – at Tier 2 level, *WG
- Removing Lead in Drinking Water** (*Water Quality*) – at Tier 2 level, *WG
- Residential Energy Efficiency Outreach** (*Housing*) – 20 point level, *EG
- Transit Oriented Development Supportive Zoning** (*Land Use*)

Additional Actions (check at least two):

- Anti-Idling Education and Enforcement Program** (*Air Quality*)
- Bicycle and/or Pedestrian Plan** (*Transportation & Mobility*)
- Brownfields Inventory & Prioritization** (*Land Use*) – 15 point minimum

- Brownfields Reuse Planning** (*Land Use*) – 15 point minimum
- Building Healthier Communities** (*Wellness & Recreation*) - 15 point minimum, gained by either programs for 3 populations or 2 populations + the Mayors Wellness Campaign Pledge
- Buy Fresh, Buy Local Programs** (*Food Access*)
- Climate Adaptation: Flooding Risk** (*Land Use*)
- Community Forestry Management Plan and NJUCF Accreditation** (*Air Quality*) – 20 point level (NJUCF accreditation), *WG
- Community Gardens** (*Food Access*) – 15 point minimum
- Community Design for All Ages** (*Land Use*) – 15 point minimum
- Comprehensive Lead Strategy** (*Housing*) – 15 point minimum
- Diversity on Boards & Commissions** (*Municipal Governance*)
- Emergency Communication Planning** (*Emergency & Public Safety*)
- Environmental Justice in Planning & Zoning** (*Land Use*)
- Extreme Temperature Event Plan** (*Emergency & Public Safety*)
- Farmers Markets** (*Food Access*) – gained by implementing either a municipally operated mobile market (10 points) or conventional market with accessibility addition (15 points)
- Farmland Preservation Plans** (*Food Access*)
- Green Jobs/Economic Development** (*Economy & Arts*)
- Green Infrastructure Planning** (*Water Quality*) – at Tier 2 level, *WG
- Heat Island Assessment** (*Emergency & Public Safety*)
- Healthy Homes Inspection & Training** (*Housing*) – Tier 1 at 5 point minimum
- Household Hazardous Waste** (*Waste Management*) – 15 point minimum (collection of 4 materials)
- Improving Public Engagement in Municipal Governing** (*Municipal Governance*) – 15 point minimum
- Improving Public Engagement in Planning & Zoning** (*Land Use*) – 15 point minimum
- Lead and Housing Hazard Data-Sharing** (*Housing*)
- Lead Education & Outreach Programs** (*Housing*) – 10 point minimum
- Make Your Town Electric Vehicle Friendly** (*Transportation & Mobility*) - *EG
- Making Farmers Market Accessible** (*Food Access*)
- Meet Targets for Green Fleets** (*Transportation & Mobility*)
- Municipal Commitments to Support Arts & Creative Culture** (*Economy & Arts*)
- Online Municipal Public Service Systems** (*Wellness & Recreation*)
- Open Space Plans** (*Wellness & Recreation*) - *WG
- Public Electric Vehicle Charging Infrastructure** (*Transportation & Mobility*) - *EG
- Removing Lead in Drinking Water** – at Tier 1 level (*Health*)
- Safe Routes to Schools** (*Wellness & Recreation*)
- Tobacco-Free Community** (*Air Quality*) – 15 point minimum (includes Tobacco Free Community designation)
- Vulnerable Populations Identification for Emergencies** (*Emergency & Public Safety*)

Optional: Sustainable Jersey will determine if an Innovative project (a) counts towards the Gold Star in Health (i.e., improves the conditions for health as identified in the Local Health Assessment), and, if relevant, (b) qualifies as “high impact.

- Innovative Community Project 1** (*any category*) Additional action High Impact action
- Innovative Community Project 2** (*any category*) Additional action High Impact action
- Innovative Community Project 3** (*any category*) Additional action High Impact action