

# Climate Smart Communities Certification Report

 **BRONZE CERTIFIED**

This is the Climate Smart Communities Certification Report of Newfield, Town (Tompkins). Newfield, Town (Tompkins) is a bronze certified Climate Smart Community.

Newfield, Town (Tompkins) was certified on April 21, 2023 with 158 points earned from 22 completed actions. Listed below is information regarding Newfield, Town (Tompkins)'s Climate Smart Communities efforts and materials associated with its certified actions.

The certification for Newfield, Town (Tompkins) will expire on September 30, 2028.

## Contact Information

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## Actions Implemented


Each approved action and supporting documentation for which Newfield, Town (Tompkins) was approved for in 2023 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.

### 1. Build a climate-smart community.

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## PE1 Action: CSC Task Force

20 Points

 Bronze Mandatory

**Program Summary:** Attached are the Meeting Minutes from the official Town of Newfield board meeting held on December 10, 2020 establishing the Climate Smart Communities Task Force by resolution number 47 (page 3-4). Meeting minutes from two climate smart community task force meetings: 12.10/2020 and 11/16/2020. Also attached is the CSC Pledge Resolution passed by the Town Board on July 9, 2020 11/14/2022: Updated with meeting minutes from 2022, the 2022 member listing of the task force.

PDF: [RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING A CLIMATE SMART COMMUNITIES TASK FORCE AND TERMS OF REFERENCE - MEETING MINUTES](#)

PDF: [CLIMATE SMART COMMUNITIES PLEDGE RESOLUTION](#)

WORD: [20220606 MEETING MINUTES OF NEWFIELD CLIMATE TASK FORCE](#)


WORD: [20221017 MEETING MINUTES OF NEWFIELD CLIMATE TASK FORCE](#)

WORD: [2022 TOWN OF NEWFIELD CLIMATE SMART COMMUNITIES TASK FORCE MEMBERS](#)

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## PE1 Action: CSC Coordinator

10 Points

 Bronze Mandatory

**Program Summary:** Attached is RESOLUTION NO 48-2020 - Appointing Newfield Climate Smart Communities Coordinator on December 10, 2020. See page 5. This position continues to be filled by the same coordinator or appointed on December 10, 2020. This position is noted on the town website: <https://newfieldny.org/government/committees/climate-smart-communities/>

PDF: [RESOLUTION NO 48-2020 - APPOINTING NEWFIELD CLIMATE SMART COMMUNITIES COORDINATOR - MEETING MINUTES](#)

WORD: [2022 TOWN OF NEWFIELD CLIMATE SMART COMMUNITIES TASK FORCE MEMBERS](#)

WORD: [20221017 MEETING MINUTES OF NEWFIELD CLIMATE TASK FORCE](#)

IMAGE: [2023 CLIMATE SMART COMMUNITIESTASK FORCE MEMBERS WEBSITE SCREENSHOT](#)

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## PE1 Action: National/Regional Climate Program

3 Points

**Program Summary:** The attached documentation shows the Town of Newfield's participation in the NYSERD A Clean Energy Communities program.

PDF: [NEWFIELD SCORECARD](#)

PDF: [CEC EMAIL ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF CLEAN HEAT SCOPING DOCUMENT](#)

## PE1 Action: Partnerships with Other Entities

3 Points

**Program Summary:** The supporting documentation includes minutes showing participation in the Tompkins County Council of Governments Energy Committee, a letter of support for a grant proposal signed on to by the Town of Newfield, and a description of the committee and current membership.

PDF: [TCCOG\\_ENERGY SUBCOMMITTEE\\_28MAY20](#)

WORD: [PARK FOUNDATION CCA GRANT PROPOSAL LETTER OF SUPPORT](#)

PDF: [TCCOG ENERGY COMMITTEE AND MEMBERSHIP](#)

## 2. Inventory emissions, set goals, and plan for climate action.

### PE2 Action: Government Operations GHG Inventory

16 Points

 Bronze Priority  Silver Priority

**Program Summary:** We are submitting a copy of a local government operations GHG inventory report that was published in 2022. The inventory includes the Scope 1 and Scope 2 GHG emissions from government operations for the Town of Newfield. The report includes a section describing the methodology and how it complies with established protocols. We are also providing screenshots of the report linked to the town website as evidence that the report was released to the public.

PDF: [GHG\\_EMISSIONS\\_INVENTORY\\_NEWFIELD.PDF](#)



IMAGE: [NEWFIELD GHGI 1 SCREEN SHOT 2022-05-21 AT 3.13.18 PM](#)

IMAGE: [NEWFIELD GHGI 2 SCREEN SHOT 2022-05-21 AT 3.13.40 PM](#)

## 3. Decrease energy use.

### PE3 Action: Government Building Energy Audits

10 Points

 Bronze Priority  Silver Priority

**Program Summary:** We have provided a copy of the ASHRAE Level-1 energy audit report for the town hall and town barn conducted in 2022. We have submitted a listing of all buildings using energy and owned by the town government.

PDF: [NEWFIELD TOWN HALL-BARN FLEXTECH REPORT 2022-05-02.PDF](#)

PDF: [NEWFIELD MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS LIST WITH AREA.PDF](#)

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### PE3 Action: Interior Lighting Upgrades

3 Points

**Program Summary:** Upgrades to interior lighting were completed in the Town Hall (66 fixtures in April 2021) and Town Barn (94 fixtures in Jan 2021). Fixtures were installed within 7 years of application date and exceeded ASHRAE 90.1 when installed. Total square footage for all Town buildings is 27,712.863, so 40% of buildings (11,000 square feet) had LED conversions (Town Barn and Town Hall).

PDF: [TOWN OF NEWFIELD - INTERIOR LIGHTING](#)

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### PE3 Action: Benchmarking - Municipal Buildings

2 Points

**Program Summary:** Email certification for completing the action

PDF: [NOTIFICATION: NYSERDA CLEAN ENERGY COMMUNITIES | TOWN OF NEWFIELD | BENCHMARKING](#)

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### PE3 Action: Fleet Inventory

4 Points

**Program Summary:** Attached is the Town of Newfield vehicle fleet inventory as of May 12, 2021. The inventory includes the 11 categories of information required and covers every four-wheeled vehicle owned or operated by the local government. The procedure for updating the inventory is that the Highway Superintendent helps the Town bookkeeper update the fleet inventory annually, as it is required for insurance purposes. Cleaning the Newfield fleet, through increasing fuel efficiency or switching to electric vehicles, would have the largest impact on emissions from the municipal operations. Electric vehicles are ideal, but expensive and not yet practical for all applications. Upgrading to newer or more fuel-efficient vehicles could also help the town reduce their emissions. The Town of Newfield's planned climate actions (detailed in the in-progress Climate Action Plan) are currently being finalized and include adopting a vehicle fleet efficiency policy.

PDF: [TOWN OF NEWFIELD FLEET INVENTORY 2021](#)

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### PE3 Action: LED Street Lights

12 Points

**Program Summary:** Attached is the Town of Newfield's inventory of all streetlights. NYSEDA's LED Street Light Calculator is attached following the Town's submission to NYSEDA being approved (approval emails also attached). The LED Street light Calculator is the supporting document for the 12 points, showing that 98% of the cobra-head style streetlights, and 100% of the decorative-style streetlights within the jurisdiction are converted to LED.

PDF: [COMPLETION OF THE LED STREET LIGHTS – DECORATIVE FIXTURES HIGH IMPACT ACTION UNDER NYSEDA CEC PROGRAM](#)

PDF: [COMPLETION OF THE LED STREET LIGHTS – COBRA HEAD FIXTURES HIGH IMPACT ACTION UNDER NYSEDA CEC PROGRAM](#)

EXCEL: [TOWN OF NEWFIELD LED STREET LIGHT CALCULATOR 12-9-22](#)

EXCEL: [NEWFIELD STREETLIGHTS INVENTORY](#)

PDF: [TOWN OF NEWFIELD CEC SCORECARD](#)

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### PE3 Action: Energy Code Enforcement Training

5 Points

**Program Summary:** NYSERDA CEC Action Approval for Code Enforcement Training

PDF: [NOTIFICATION: NYSERDA CLEAN ENERGY COMMUNITIES | TOWN OF NEWFIELD | ENERGY CODE ENFORCEMENT TRAINING](#)

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## 5. Use climate-smart materials management.

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### PE5 Action: Recycling Bins in Government Buildings

3 Points

**Program Summary:** The Recycling Resolution shows that the Town of Newfield has a policy requiring placement of recycling bins wherever there is a trash bin. The photos show two photos for each type of location (common areas and employee desks in government buildings). Information on the number of trash and recycling bins provided in each of the two categories is included.

PDF: [TOWN OF NEWFIELD RECYCLING RESOLUTION NO 64 OF 2021.PDF](#)



PDF: [TOWN OF NEWFIELD TRASH AND RECYCLING BIN PHOTOS.PDF](#)

## 6. Implement climate-smart land use.

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### PE6 Action: Comprehensive Plan with Sustainability Elements

21 Points

 Bronze Priority  Silver Priority

**Program Summary:** 2013 Town of Newfield Comprehensive Plan - Adopting Resolution 9-12-13 - Sustainability Elements of Newfield Comprehensive Plan: Document outlining sustainability elements in the Comprehensive Plan

PDF: [TOWN OF NEWFIELD MEETING MINUTES - COMPREHENSIVE PLAN ADOPTED](#)

PDF: [TOWN OF NEWFIELD - COMPREHENSIVE PLAN](#)

WORD: [MEMORANDUM EXPLAINING HOW THE PLAN REFLECTS THE SUSTAINABILITY ELEMENTS](#)

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### PE6 Action: Unified Solar Permit

5 Points

**Program Summary:** No description was provided.

PDF: [NOTIFICATION: NYSEDA CLEAN ENERGY COMMUNITIES | TOWN OF NEWFIELD | UNIFIED SOLAR PERMIT](#)

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### PE6 Action: NYStretch Energy Code

10 Points

**Program Summary:** The supporting documentation includes a certified copy of the adoption of Local Law #3 adopting the NYStretch Code, and the approval email of the NYStretch Code High Impact Action by the Clean Energy Community program.

PDF: [NEWFIELD NYSTRETCH ADOPTION LOCAL LAW #3](#)

PDF: [CEC NYSTRETCH APPROVAL.PDF](#)

## 7. Enhance community resilience to climate change.

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### PE7 Action: Climate-resilient Hazard Mitigation Plan

4 Points

**Program Summary:** The Town of Newfield HMP Update pdf includes links to the Tompkins County hazard mitigation plan completed in 2021, with an explanation, including page references, of how the plan addresses climate change and includes climate science projections. Section 9-15 - Newfield (T) 081321 pdf identifies the Town of Newfield as a participating jurisdiction. The Town of Newfield Hazard Mitigation Plan - Resolution No 43 - 2021 is proof that the plan has been formally adopted by the local government. The FEMA Adoptions List Tompkins County 20211214 pdf shows that the plan was approved by FEMA within five years prior to the application date.

PDF: [TOWN OF NEWFIELD HMP UPDATE.PDF](#)

PDF: [TOWN OF NEWFIELD HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN - RESOLUTION NO 43 - 2021.PDF](#)

PDF: [SECTION 9.15 - NEWFIELD \(T\) 081321\\_DFS.PDF](#)

PDF: [FEMA ADOPTIONS\\_LIST\\_TOMPKINS\\_CO\\_20211214.PDF](#)

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### PE7 Action: Culverts & Dams

12 Points

**Program Summary:** Documentation contains two letters of compliance for two culvert replacements. Before and after photos.

PDF: [TOWN OF NEWFIELD - CULVERT REPLACEMENT DOCUMENTATION](#)

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## 8. Support a green innovation economy.

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### PE8 Action: Rooftop Solarize Campaign

3 Points

**Program Summary:** No description was provided.

PDF: [NOTIFICATION: NYSEDA CLEAN ENERGY COMMUNITIES | TOWN OF NEWFIELD | SOLARIZE](#)

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### PE8 Action: Community Campaigns

3 Points

**Program Summary:** This is documentation of approval from NYSEDA for completion of a Clean Heating and Cooling campaign which is a Clean Energy Communities Community Campaigns high-impact action. The campaign started on 4/20/2021 and ended on 8/19/2021.

PDF: [TOWN OF NEWFIELD COMMUNITY CAMPAIGNS APPROVAL](#)

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## 9. Inform and inspire the public.

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### PE9 Action: Climate-related Public Events

3 Points

**Program Summary:** In collaboration with the Town of Newfield, the Newfield Library, HeatSmart Tompkins, and Get Your Greenback Tompkins the town of Newfield Climate Smart Community Task force design and carried out two climate-related public events: 1) Newfield Campaign for Clean Heat webinar for community members to learn about home weatherization and energy-efficient heat pumps 2) The Powerhouse tiny home, a mobile energy education and outreach tool of Get Your Greenback Tompkins visited the Town of Newfield for a one-day event for Newfield residents to explore the tiny home's interactive exhibit on energy efficiency measures, heat pumps, and going solar.

PDF: [NEWFIELD TOWN BOARD MINUTES - SEE PG 2](#)

PDF: [MEDIA COVERAGE - NEWFIELD LAUNCHES SUSTAINABILITY CAMPAIGN](#)

IMAGE: [COMMUNITY PARTNER HEATSMART TOMPKINS WEBPAGE FOR NEWFIELD CAMPAIGN](#)

IMAGE: [COMMUNITY PARTNER NEWFIELD LIBRARY POST FOR NEWFIELD CAMPAIGN](#)

IMAGE: [TOWN OF NEWFIELD POST ABOUT NEWFIELD CH&C CAMPAIGN POWERHOUSE EVENT](#)

EXCEL: [LIST OF PARTICIPANTS FOR TOWN OF NEWFIELD CLEAN HEATING AND COOLING CAMPAIGN](#)

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### PE9 Action: Local Climate Action Website

3 Points

**Program Summary:** Web page for Newfield: <https://newfieldny.org/government/committees/climate-smart-communities/> Within the past year the Newfield CSC Task Force has updated the website with information about the formation of the task force, task force membership, and resources to learn more. 11/14/2022: Further updates have been implemented as per feedback.

IMAGE: [TOWN OF NEWFIELD CSC WEBPAGE.PNG](#)

IMAGE: [WEBSITE POST ON HOW TO GET INVOLVED](#)

IMAGE: [WEBSITE POST ON RESOURCES AND WAYS TO REDUCE](#)

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### PE9 Action: Social Media

3 Points

**Program Summary:** The documentation includes the Town of Newfield Facebook Page address, 5 examples of posts about Climate Smart Communities participation and Clean Energy Community actions, and the Town of Newfield Social Media Policy.

PDF: [TOWN OF NEWFIELD SOCIAL MEDIA POLICY](#)

PDF: [TOWN OF NEWFIELD FACEBOOK PAGE ADDRESS](#)

PDF: [SCREEN SHOTS OF TOWN OF NEWFIELD FACEBOOK POSTS 2020-2021](#)