



What can municipalities do to get the lead out of our communities?

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Municipal responsibilities related to lead:

- Housing
- Water delivery infrastructure
- Code enforcement
- Public health
- Education and Outreach
- Connecting residents with resources and help



Sustainable Jersey is a voluntary certification program designed for municipalities in New Jersey.

- Identifies **actions** to help towns become more sustainable
- Provides tools, resources, and guidance to make progress
- Provides access to grants and funding for municipalities

Sustainable Jersey for Schools certifies schools & school districts.

Participating Communities

2009 Program
Started

466 (82%)
Municipalities
Participating

89%
Population

46% of
Participants
Certified



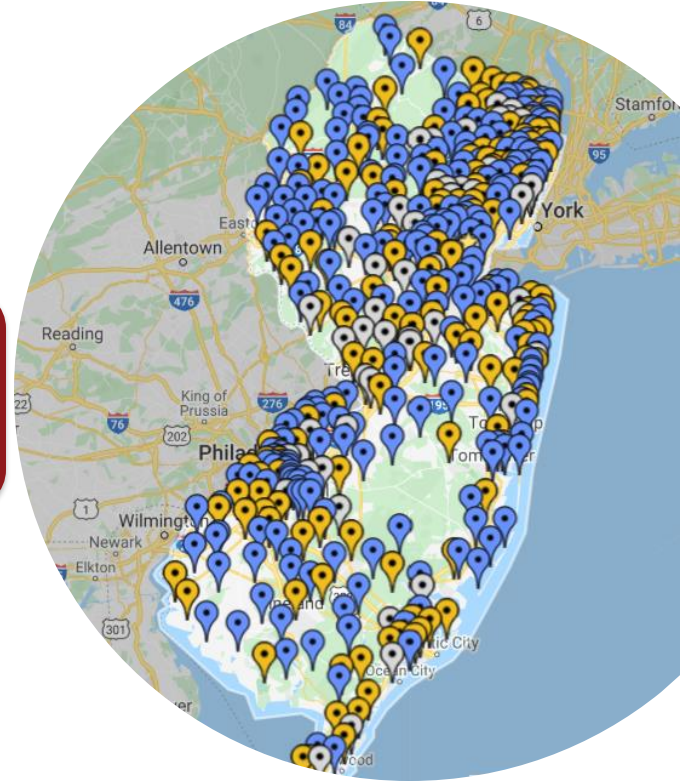
147
Certified



67
Certified



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PROSPERITY	ENERGY EFFICIENCY	POINTS
	Energy Audits for Municipal Facilities*	20-50
High Efficiency Municipal Buildings	10-20	
FOOD		
Farmland Preservation		
Food Production		
Planning for Local Food Production		
Support Local Food		
LOCAL ECONOMIES		
Buy Local Programs		
Green Business Recognition Programs		
Green Jobs/Economic Development		
OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE		
Green Fleets*		
Adopt Behavioral Policies		
Green Purchasing Program		
Grounds and Maintenance		
PEOPLE		
ARTS/CULTURE/HISTORIC PRESERVATION		
Historic Preservation		
Strengthening School Arts Programs		
COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP AND OUTREACH		
Create Green Team*		
Community Education and Outreach		
Energy Outreach and Incentives		
Education for Sustainability Programs		
School-Based Energy Conservation		
PLANET		
GREEN DESIGN	POINTS	
Green Building Policy/Resolution	5	
Green Building Training	5	
Green Design Commercial and Residential Buildings	5-20	
Green Design Municipal Buildings	10-20	
GREENHOUSE GAS		
Municipal Carbon Footprint*	10	
Community Carbon Footprint	10	
Climate Action Plan	10	
Wind Ordinance	10	
INNOVATIVE DEMONSTRATION PROJECTS		
Geothermal	10	
Green Roofs	10	
Raingardens	10	
Solar	10	
Wind	10	
Other	10	
LAND USE & TRANSPORTATION		
Sustainable Land Use Pledge*	10	
Complete Streets Program	20	
Municipal Planning & Zoning Self-Assessment	10	
Sustainability Master Plan Revision	20	
NATURAL RESOURCES		
Natural Resource Inventory*	20	
Water Conservation Ordinance*	20	
Conservation Easements	10-15	
Environmental Commission	10	

Municipalities choose from a menu of 150+ actions to accumulate the required points for certification

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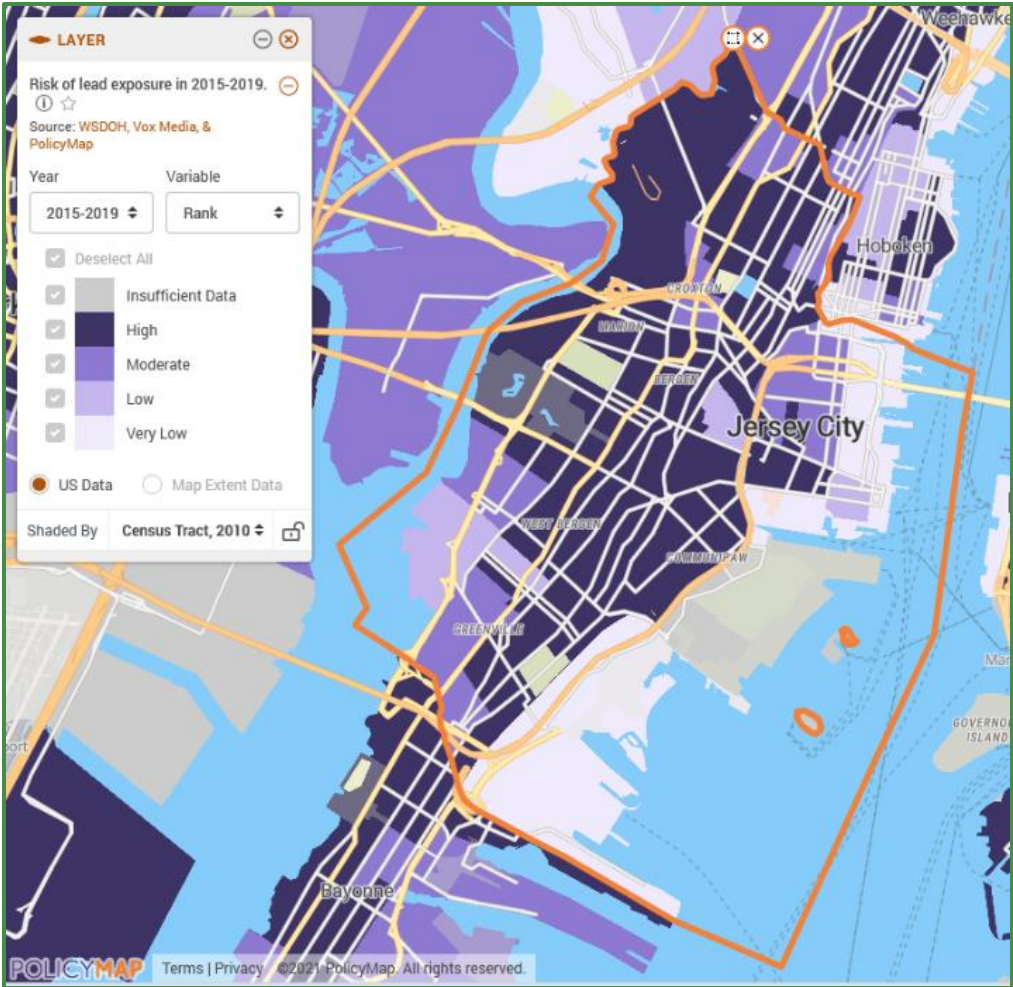
Lead Reduction Actions

- Lead Education & Outreach Programs
- Lead Blood Screening Campaign
 - to increase % of children who have had mandated blood lead level screening tests
- Healthy Homes Inspection & Training
 - Training on environmental home health hazards
 - Integrate lead & healthy homes inspections
 - Voluntary healthy home evaluations or testing

Lead Reduction Actions

- Lead and Housing Hazards Data-sharing
 - interdepartmental (housing, health+) sharing of data related to lead hazards in buildings
 - Report *property-linked* data in accessible database or spreadsheet
- Comprehensive Lead Strategy
 - data on sources & distribution of lead exposure >>
 - risk-based, comprehensive strategy for lead exposure prevention
 - regular meetings of Lead-safe Action Team to coordinate action

Risk of Lead Exposure



Lead Reduction Actions

- Removing Lead in Drinking Water
 - Free/reduced-cost voluntary tap water testing program
 - ordinance requiring lead testing or remediation of drinking water before ownership or tenancy change
- Private Well Outreach and Testing
- Access to Healthy Water in Schools

Resources, e.g., [New Jersey Lead Poisoning Prevention Toolkit](#)

Questions? Comments? Get in touch!

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