

Bridgeport Sustainability Communications Fellowship

The Climate Fellows program has worked with the City of Bridgeport to advance the City's BGreen 2020 Sustainability Initiative since 2011. The partnership began with a series of workshops to identify and address climate mitigation in collaboration with the Nature Conservancy and Regional Plan Association. Since then, three fellows in Bridgeport (one in the summer of 2012 and two in 2013) working on adaptation planning, community outreach, and food security issues.

Significant accomplishments have been achieved in Bridgeport related to the mitigation of climate change as the BGreen effort matures into its fourth year. In 2013, the City released its first Sustainability Progress Report that documented greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions mitigated by each project.

Bridgeport's Sustainability Communications Fellow will perform the following tasks, with room for creative interpretation:

- Analyze City of Bridgeport and private partner sustainable actions
- Develop a strategy for documenting these climate mitigation practices
- Utilize technology within capacity limits to create tools or platforms for municipal staff to log and/or track GHG reduction and other carbon emission reduction behaviors
- Create a methodology for publicizing said actions

The essential objective of this fellowship is to infuse technology into the process by which the City tracks the results of sustainability initiatives.

Duties may include but are not limited to:

- **Research** current sustainability projects and departmental operations
- **Develop** a platform or dashboard for municipal officials to input and/or track data
- **Collaborate** with municipal staff and community partners
- **Document** current progress
- **Identify** new policies that could further enhance GHG reduction within city limits

Location: Bridgeport, CT

Time commitment: 40 hours per week, June-August

Upon completion of this fellowship you will be one of a handful of persons with first-hand public sector experience in the growing field of sustainability and environmental management; you will also have the opportunity to present final product(s) you have developed at one or more national conferences.