

Sustainability Performance Plan

FY 2022

*This report was written in compliance with
section 5 of Executive Order 1.*



Sustainability Performance Plan

Executive Order 1 (EO 1) calls on Executive Branch agencies to advance environmental leadership and cost savings for taxpayers by reducing greenhouse gas emissions and other sustainability objectives in energy use in buildings and vehicles, water use, and waste disposal.

The goals of EO 1 include:

- 45% reduction in GHG emissions below 2001 levels,
- 10% reduction in water consumption from a FY20 baseline, and
- 25% reduction in waste disposal from a FY20 baseline.

Sustainability Performance Plans are plans drafted each year by Senior Sustainability Officers to detail agency progress and necessary goals, actions, and responsible parties to achieve the targets set in EO 1.

This report includes details on sustainability initiatives and participation in the GreenerGovCT initiative in FY22.

Agency Details

Agency: Department of Children and Families

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GreenerGov CT Participation Overview

1. How has your agency worked towards the sustainability goals of EO 1 in FY22?

Due to staff vacancies and pandemic response, the agency did not undertake projects that advanced the sustainability goals of EO1 in FY 2022.

2. List key agency staff involved in EO 1 in FY22.

John McCarthy, Chief of Engineering
David Barry, Assistant Chief Fiscal Officer (Retired)

Sustainability Projects

3. How many projects has your agency implemented that had a positive impact on sustainability in FY22? Include projects relating to infrastructure improvements as well as behavioral change that took place in owned, leased, or occupied space and were either in progress or completed in FY22.

N/A

- 4. Provide a summary of the sustainability projects completed in FY22 at your agency. For each project include:**
- a. Project summary**
 - b. Project location**
 - c. Project status**
 - d. Project benefits**
 - e. Projected savings (in dollars and the appropriate unit of measurement if known)**

N/A

Future Plans

- 5. What planned sustainability initiatives beyond FY22 does your agency have relating to GHG reduction, water use reduction, and waste reduction?**

In conjunction with DAS Construction Services, DCF will undertake green initiative renovations at the Solnit North campus in East Windsor, Connecticut. Projects will include replacing existing chillers with energy efficient ones, installing variable frequency drives and demand-controlled ventilation programming, completing lighting upgrades to LED, and replacing plumbing fixtures with low flow models.

In addition, the agency is undergoing an analysis of its current fleet capacity with the intention of rightsizing fleet to meet current operational needs.

The agency will replace outdoor lighting at the former Connecticut Juvenile Training School (CJTS) facility with energy efficient LED lighting.