

# Sustainability Performance Plan

FY 2024

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section 5 of Executive Order 1.*



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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 submitted 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 of projects and sustainability initiatives in progress or completed or being implemented in the GreenerGovCT initiative in FY24.

## Agency Details

**Agency:** State Department of Education

**Agency Headquarters:** 450 Columbus Blvd, Hartford, CT, 06103, USA

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## GreenerGov CT Participation Overview

### Project #1

#### 1. What category(ies) best describes your project?

Decarbonization, Energy Project, Waste Reduction, Water Reduction, Other.

##### a. Other Description

CSDE is a DAS tenant supporting DAS projects including telework, electronic documents, water and electricity reductions, Recycling, and composting. CSDE implemented CORE-CT self-service timekeeping and centralized gently used office supplies for re-use.

**2. What equipment or technology did your agency implement?**

Behavioral Change, Composting, Recycling.

**3. Does this project contribute to any of the following Executive Order 1 and Executive Order 21-3 targets?**

Reduce food waste through an organics and food waste diversion program, Contribute to the production of 100% zero carbon electricity, Reduce water consumption.

**4. Please add project address and geographic location.**

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**5. What is the status of this project?\***

In Progress

a. What is your project's anticipated completion date?

6/30/2025

**6. What are the saving metrics being evaluated for this project?**

Kilowatt-hour (kWh) of Electricity, Gallons of Water, Gallons of Oil, Tons of Waste, Other

a. **Other Description**

DAS would measure. The agency doesn't have access to agency level metrics.

**7. Did/is your project achieve/achieving cost savings?**

yes

a. What are the estimated cost savings (\$) per year for this project?

\$0

**8. What is the estimated lifetime of this project in years?**

1

**9. What is the total cost for this project in USD?**

\$0

**10. What was the source of funding for this project?**

Other

**a. Other Description**

DAS owns the facility, savings not available at the agency level. The agency's programs are no cost.

**11. Please describe the details of the project, including the project goals, deliverables, and benefits for the agency.**

CSDE is a tenant of DAS. We participated in DAS sponsored programs and encourage employees to continue these efforts at home. Telework decreased water and gas usage and emissions; composting, Recycling and reusing office supplies reduced waste disposal; and this year's transition to CT-Core self-service timekeeping reduced paper records.

**12. How many key agency staff are involved in this project?\***

1

**a. Key Agency Staff:**

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