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## East Haven Recognized as a Silver Recipient at the Clean Energy Communities Awards Ceremony



**From Left:** Lynne Hamjian, deputy director of the office of ecosystem protection, Environmental Protection Agency New Engl; Bob Wall, director of marketing and outreach, The Connecticut Green Bank; Patrick McDonnell, director of conservation and load management, The United Illuminating Company; Kevin White, town engineer, Town of East Haven; Bryan Garcia, president and chief executive officer, The Connecticut Green Bank; David McHale, executive vice president and chief administrative officer, Eversource; Robert Klee, commissioner, Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection.

EAST HAVEN, Conn. (Oct. 23, 2015) – More than 145 Connecticut municipalities were honored Wednesday, Oct.
14, for their participation in the nationally-recognized Clean Energy Communities program, an Energize
Connecticut initiative that incentivizes cities and towns to support energy efficiency and renewable energy.
Among the honorees was the Town of East Haven being celebrated as a Silver recipient.

The ceremony was highlighted by keynote speaker Lynne Hamjian, the deputy director of the office of ecosystem protection for the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) New England. Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (DEEP) Commissioner Robert Klee was also in attendance to congratulate the participants. David McHale from Eversource, Patrick McDonnell from The United Illuminating Company and Bryan Garcia from the Connecticut Green Bank were there as well to honor these outstanding communities.

## How did East Haven earn their award?

- Hosted Great Light Bulb Exchange where 638 light bulbs were swapped with LEDs
- Currently benchmarking all municipal and BOE buildings
- 1,581 (13 percent) homes have participated in residential programs
- 113 (12 percent) business and municipal energy-saving projects have been completed
- Installed solar PV systems at Joseph Melillo Middle School and Deer Run, Overbrook and Momaugin Elementary Schools

For more information on the Clean Energy Communities program, visit EnergizeCT.com/communities.

## About Energize Connecticut

Energize Connecticut helps you save money and use clean energy. It is an initiative of the Energy Efficiency Fund, the Connecticut Green Bank, the State, and your local electric and gas utilities, with funding from a charge on customer energy bills. Information on energy-saving programs can be found at <u>EnergizeCT.com</u> or by calling 1.877.WISE.USE.