Climate Smart Communities

Village of Bronxville

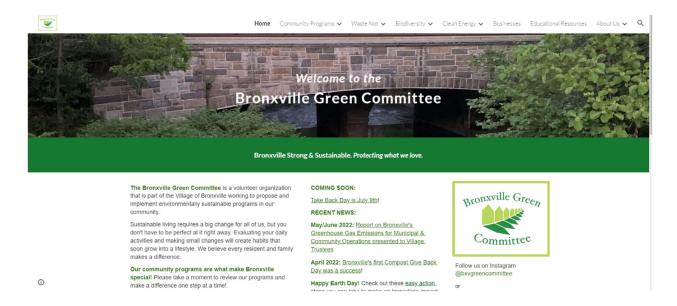
PE 9: Local Climate Action Website

The Village of Bronxville has an extensive website which provides information on all local government programs and news, including local government climate-related efforts. https://www.villageofbronxville.com/



In addition, the Bronxville Green Committee launched a website in May 2021 to create a resource for residents that is focused on local government climate-related efforts, local programs, sustainability practices/tips and specific action-oriented steps. The website is www.bxvgreencommittee.org. The homepage provides recent local government updates with tabs that provide in-depth content related to:

- Community Programs
- Recycling, Reduce & Reuse Rules, and Resources
- Biodiversity
- Clean Energy
- Businesses
- Educational Resources



The following three CSC requirements have been met as follows:

1) A description of the local government's efforts related to local climate change mitigation and adaptation.

The following local government efforts related to climate change mitigation can be found on the Green Committee website which is accessible at www.bronxvillegreencommittee.org and link to from the Village of Bronxville website at https://www.villageofbronxville.com/bronxville-green-committee

<u>Climate Smart Community</u>: This page details the Village's effort to join other NYS municipalities in addressing climate change. The page provides information on the Climate Smart Community program, the Village's resolution to join the program, the task force and updates on recent efforts to achieve Bronze Status. https://www.bronxvillegreencommittee.org/community-programs/climate-smart-community

<u>Village Hall's Installation of Geothermal</u>: This page informs the public that Village Hall has been using a geothermal system since 2005 and encourages residents to explore heat pump options in their homes. https://www.bronxvillegreencommittee.org/clean-energy/heating-cooling

<u>Gas Powered Leaf Blower Restrictions</u>: This page provides details about a 2021 ordinance which significantly reduced the use of gas-powered leaf blowers.

https://www.bronxvillegreencommittee.org/biodiversity/leaf-blowers

<u>Solar Panel Ordinance Updates</u>: This page outlines the 2022 ordinance which streamlined the solar panel approval process for residents. The page also provides additional tips on the how to install solar panels. https://www.bronxvillegreencommittee.org/clean-energy/solar-panels

<u>Food Scrap Recycling</u>: This page outlines how the 2021 Food Scrap Recycling program helps mitigate climate change by diverting food from the waste stream.

https://www.bronxvillegreencommittee.org/waste-not/food-scrap-recycling

2) How residents and businesses can participate in those efforts led by the local government.

- Residents: The Village website and Bronxville Green Committee website updates residents on new local government efforts with information on Village Board meetings, resolutions, ordinances, and public comment periods while encouraging participation.
 - https://www.villageofbronxville.com: See homepage News, Events and Mayor's Column tabs
 - https://www.bronxvillegreencommittee.org: See homepage "Recent News" section

The Bronxville Green Committee website also has detailed pages on how to participate in local government programs such as:

Take Back Day: https://www.bronxvillegreencommittee.org/waste-not/take-back-day

Food Scrap Recycling (https://www.bronxvillegreencommittee.org/waste-not/food-scrap-recycling)

Local Recycling:

https://www.bronxvillegreencommittee.org/waste-not/recycling-tips
https://www.bronxvillegreencommittee.org/waste-not/household-items
https://www.bronxvillegreencommittee.org/waste-not/plastic-film-wrap-bags

Businesses: There is a specific Businesses tab that provides government and non-profit
resources for helping businesses implement clean energy practices. These include references to
programs offered by NYSERDA, Elemental Green, NY Green Bank, Green America, Green
Business Partnership, NOFA (Organic Land Care), American Green Zone Alliance. Suggestions
around recycling and reuse of materials and goods, as well as, food donation programs for food
service industries are also provided.

www.bronxvillegreencommittee.org/businesses

3) A summary of actions that residents and businesses in the community can take to reduce their GHG emissions.

- Residents: There is a "Resident Action Steps" page and "Clean Energy" section that provides information on how residents can decrease their carbon footprint.
 - https://www.bronxvillegreencommittee.org/community-programs/resident-action-steps https://www.bronxvillegreencommittee.org/clean-energy
- Businesses: See reference to business page above.