

## PE9 Action: Climate-related Public Events

During Earth Week in April 2020, the CSC Task Force originally planned an in-person community event to introduce the public to the CSC Task Force, review completed actions, present findings from the recently-completed greenhouse gas inventory, and answer questions. Due to COVID-19, the event shifted to a virtual event on Thursday, April 23 from 3-4pm. The virtual event included introductions from the Task Force members, an interactive presentation, and time for questions. Local government staff presented on how the village is tracking energy use in municipal buildings using Energy Star Portfolio Manager. Additionally, Cedar Young, Saranac Lake High School student, announced the winner of the high school environmental club's Drawdown Eco-challenge. The event was free and open to anyone who registered in advance. The event was also live-streamed on the Village of Saranac Lake's Facebook page and a recording is available to view on-demand on the Village of Saranac Lake's CSC website. Village staff promoted the event via social media. There were approximately 35 attendees who participated in the live event and as of June 2020, an additional 14 people have viewed the recording.

- Here is a link to a recording of the event: [https://us02web.zoom.us/rec/play/75wll-6hqT43S9fG4gSDA\\_MrW9W4f62s1yEe\\_qElz0e8U3hXYQHyrZGMeCqmG8qV8-ILR607P9bj3jP?continueMode=true](https://us02web.zoom.us/rec/play/75wll-6hqT43S9fG4gSDA_MrW9W4f62s1yEe_qElz0e8U3hXYQHyrZGMeCqmG8qV8-ILR607P9bj3jP?continueMode=true)
- Here is a link to the slides used during the event: <https://drive.google.com/file/d/1yTAbNm7bjanJCd6uMwXcdLYjmYE8htvU/view?usp=sharing>
- Screen shot of the link to the presentation on the Village webpage:

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Climate Stirke in Riverside Park

# Saranac Lake Climate Smart Communities Program

## Overview

The Village of Saranac Lake is one of New York's newest Climate Smart Communities (CSC), and the first community in Franklin and Essex County to enter the program. The Village of Saranac Lake has joined the network of New York communities engaged in reducing greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions and improving climate resilience.

The Climate Smart Communities (CSC) Certification program provides local governments with a robust framework to guide climate action and enable communities to achieve recognition for their

## ABOUT

### MEETING SCHEDULE

The Climate Smart Communities Task Force meets on the first Wednesday of each month from 4 to 5pm. These meetings are held virtually and are open to the public. Please reach out to Erin Griffin at [egriffin@wildcenter.org](mailto:egriffin@wildcenter.org) to receive the link to join the meeting.

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