**Portland Maine**

The Sustainable Portland Taskforce was formed in 2006 and has come up with a number of policies that

impact sustainability within the City. They created benchmarks and indicators to help the city as a whole reach their sustainability goals and issued their final report in November of 2007. They addressed issues of sustainability as they related to the economy, the environment and the community. Below are a few highlights from the program that relate most closely to the Cape Alternative Energy Committee initiative.

**City Buildings**

In 2011 the City began construction of energy performance improvements in City and School buildings using the services of an Energy Service Company (ESCO) through a guaranteed savings project that has saved the City and Schools well over a $1 Million every year in energy costs.  The project began in 2009 with an audit of City and School facilities, with a contract for the guaranteed savings project to begin in 2011 and construction finally completed in April of 2013.

The energy audit is available on the Sustainable Portland website.

**Green Building Ordinance**  
  
The City adopted a green building ordinance which requires that all new or major renovations to City buildings over a certain size must be certified LEED Silver through the USGBC rating system.    
City buildings that are LEED certified include:  
-Jetport Expansion

-Ocean Avenue Elementary School

-East End Elementary School

**Petroleum Alternative Vehicles**

Portland's Regional Transit District is a Compressed Natural Gas Fleet. Portland's School Department is a Compressed Natural Gas fleet of school buses. Portland's Parking Enforcement and Police Department use bicycles in the summer to carry out their duties. In 2014 the City added a CNG trash collection vehicle and an electric car.

**Solar**

The City operates a number of solar installations at City facilities.  These facilities are located on school buildings and used for educational purposes.  These systems are 1-2 KW in size.  The facilities include, Lincoln Middle School, Portland Arts and Technical High School, East End Elementary School and King Middle School.   
Only one of the locations listed on their website actually had a live consumption chart and they didn’t offer any information on who developed the projects, cost savings, etc. but they’re small scale.