

October 2020

Stakeholder Newsletter

VCC Opens the 2021 Fiscal Year with Five New Grant Programs

Grants Award to focus on Transportation Electrification and Outreach to Rural Areas

VCC is excited to announce five new grant awards beginning October 1st! VCC is the prime or subrecipient on the following programs:

- Mid-Atlantic Electric Vehicle Partnership (prime, Department of Energy)
- DRIVE EVs in the USA (subrecipient, DoE)
- NFPA Electric Vehicle Preparedness Toolkit (subrecipient, DoE)
- Helping America's Rural Counties Transition to Cleaner Fuels and Vehicles (subrecipient, DoE)
- Zero Emission Freight Future (subrecipient, DoE)

VCC is also restarting the following two Virginia programs:

- Port Green Operator Dray Truck Rebate Program
- CMAO Alternative Fuel Vehicle Program Government Fleet Vehicle Incentive

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VCC Announces the Mid-Atlantic EV Partnership Program

The objective of this program is to enable a regional ecosystem (VA, DC, MD and WV) allowing all sizes of electric vehicle (EV) use for fleets, Transportation Network Companies and consumers. This ecosystem project will connect the Region's cities, employing multiple EV and infrastructure subprojects, and including multimodal hubs such as airports, seaports, mass transit hubs, and logistics centers, while

addressing equity issues of populations near these hubs and within cities and towns. This project will support inter- and intra-city trips for commercial and government entities, consumers, ridesharing fleets serving social service centers, airports and other passenger destinations; schools; and trucks serving large distribution centers (ports), as well as charging for employees and visitors at these facilities.



EPA Opens Application Period for the Clean Diesel Lottery Program

The Environmental Protection Agency's Diesel Emissions Reduction Act program has started accepting applications for rebates in assisting the replacement of decrepit school buses with new, greener alternatives. With over \$10 million to award, the EPA will select fleets who scrap and replace their diesel buses.

DERA School Bus Rebates



Dominion Energy Announces Smart Charging Infrastructure Pilot Program

The Smart Charging Infrastructure Pilot (or "SCIP") Program supports electric vehicle (EV) adoption in Virginia and will inform the design of managed charging programs and other EV customer offerings in the future.



October is Energy Awareness Month

Join VCC and Virginia Energy Efficiency Council in celebrating Energy Awareness Month all throughout the month of October! The following weeks are jam packed with educational activities and webinars, contests with grand prizes, and live forums to learn how you, your business, or your organization can be more energy efficient!

Energy Awareness Month



Government Alternative Fuel Vehicle Incentive is now accepting applications!

State agencies and local governments in current or former specific air quality nonThe SCIP Program will provide rebates for qualifying EV charging stations, charging infrastructure and installation, commonly referred to as "make-ready," and network fees.

Smart Charging Pilot Program

attainment, ozone attainment and/or maintenance areas may be reimbursed for incremental costs to transition to alternative fuels such as propane autogas. Agencies are encouraged to apply. Reimbursements are up to an average of \$10,000 for the incremental cost of new vehicles or reasonable aftermarket conversions.

CMAQ Alternative Fuels Program

Check out the October Fuels Fix!



Fuels Fix is a Clean Cities stories and alternative fuel news website and monthly e-mail newsletter. We curate the best content from Clean Cities coalitions around the country and their working partners, including project stories, upcoming events, reviews of AFVs, funding announcements, and fleet profiles which we call your FLEETFIX.

Fuels Fix Newsletter



U.S. Department of Energy

VCC Recognized for Outreach to Rural and Minority Communities in 2020

Alleyn Harned and Matt Wade of Virginia Clean Cities are receiving the One for All award for Outreach for being inclusive to Rural and Minority Communities. The coalition has connected with underserved communities in the Commonwealth. They've done education and outreach with rural electric utility staff and customers. Moreover, they've connected with the Virginia chapter of the NAACP and EV Noire to work with minority communities on EV education. Virginia Clean Cities was also recognized by the Virginia chapter of the American Association of Blacks in Energy for their alternative fuel presentations in 2020.

New and Returning Stakeholders



City of Chesapeake



City of Roanoke



In-Charge Energy

Upcoming Events

- Fleet Electrification (Pt. 2): First Steps for Fleets Interested in EVs October 7 @ 2:00 pm - 5:00 pm
- RFA Ethanol Safety Seminar October 10 @ 9:00 am 2:00 pm
- Sustainable Fleet Technology Series: Best Practices of the Top Green Fleets **2020** - October 14 @ 2:00 pm - 3:30 pm
- Taking on Transportation Emissions October 14 @ 3:00 pm 4:00 pm
- Sustainable Fleet Technology Series: Sustainable Fleet Analytical Tools & **Information for Fleet Decisions** - November 10 @ 2:00 pm - 3:30 pm

VCC Calendar of Events

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