

January 2023 Newsletter

Upcoming Events

- MWC: Pursuing New Energy Funding for Localities, virtual, Jan. 10
- Hampton Roads Auto Show, Virginia Beach, Jan. 13 15
- MDC: Electrifying Freight webinar, virtual, Jan. 17
- Energy Independence Summit, DC/virtual, Feb. 13 15
- Virginia International Auto Show, Richmond, Feb. 17 19

Click the events for more info!

New Federal EV tax credits

The IRS has issued new guidance on electric vehicle (EV) tax credits for 2023.

<u>Manufacturers and Models for New Qualified Clean Vehicles Purchased in 2023 or</u> After

If you bought and placed in service a new qualified plug-in electric vehicle (EV) or fuel cell vehicle (FCV) on January 1, 2023 or later and meet certain income limitations, you may be eligible for a <u>clean vehicle tax credit</u> up to \$7,500.

Credits for New Clean Vehicles Purchased in 2023 or After

If you buy a new plug-in electric vehicle (EV) or fuel cell vehicle (FCV) in 2023 or after, you may qualify for a clean vehicle tax credit. Find out if you qualify.

Town of Stanley installs EV charger



Virginia Clean Cities staff and Town of Stanley officials recently unveiled a new

Save the date: Rally in Richmond returns



VCC honors Virginia's green fleets and stakeholders with this special event held

EV charging station at the Ed Good Memorial Park. A ribbon cutting ceremony was held to officially celebrate the collaboration and new resource for local residents and tourists. Read more about the unveiling in the local newspaper article link below.

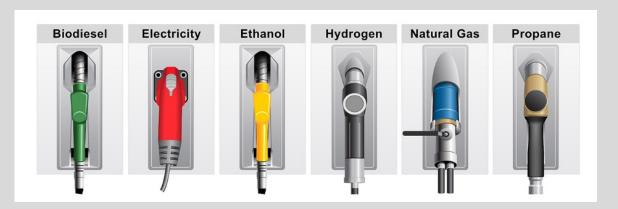
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at the Main Street Station in Richmond. VCC will also hold a legislative awards program, technology workshop and present the stakeholder of the year. This event is an annual fundraiser to raise program funds to advance clean alternative fuel programs in Virginia. Your participation in this event will further our accomplishments. Join vendors, industry leaders, and fellow enthusiasts. Event includes vendor booths, an awards ceremony and more.

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New alternative fuels tax credits and grants



A dozen new tax credits and grants have been released for alternative fuels by the Federal government and are available online at the U.S. Department of Energy's Alternative Fuels Data Center. Tax credits for biofuels, electric vehicles and related infrastructure are included. Grants include port electrification programs under the EPA.

MORE INFORMATION

\$1.5 billion through RAISE grant program



The U.S. Department of Transportation has published a Notice of Funding

VTO funding announcement



Energy Efficiency & Renewable Energy

The Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy intends to issue, on behalf of the Vehicle Technologies Office (VTO), a Funding Opportunity Opportunity for \$1.5 billion in grant funding through the Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE) discretionary grant program for 2023. The popular program helps communities around the country carry out projects with significant local or regional impact.

RAISE discretionary grants help project sponsors at the state and local levels, including municipalities, Tribal governments, counties, and others complete critical freight and passenger transportation infrastructure projects. The eligibility requirements of RAISE allow project sponsors to obtain funding for projects that are harder to support through other U.S. Department of Transportation grant programs.

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Announcement (FOA) entitled "Fiscal Year 2023 VTO Program Wide Funding Opportunity Announcement." The activities to be funded under this FOA will support the government-wide approach to the climate crisis by driving the innovation that can lead to the deployment of clean energy technologies, which are critical for climate protection. Specifically, this FOA will advance several areas critical to achieving net-zero greenhouse gas emissions by 2050, including: reduction of weight and cost of batteries, reduction in life cycle emissions of advanced lightweight materials, reduced costs and advanced technologies for both on- and off-road vehicle charging and infrastructure, innovative public transit solutions, and training to increase deployment of these technologies among diverse communities.

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EV demo vehicle available through Rural Reimagined



VCC is a partner in the new <u>Rural Reimagined project</u>, which is bringing electric vehicles (EVs), outreach and education to the rural Appalachian region spanning the states of Virginia, Kentucky, Ohio, Tennessee and West Virginia. If you are a part of local government in the Southwest Virginia region and are interested in borrowing a Chevrolet Bolt EUV for two to six weeks at no cost, let us know! Additionally, we will provide the resources you need in order to keep the vehicle charged, as well as help you find information on installing an EV charging station in your area.

New and Returning Members!

HuntSmith Industries

New Coalition Level Member!



Returning Coalition Level Member!

Interested in becoming a Virginia Clean Cities Member? Check out our membership page <u>here</u> or <u>contact us</u> with any questions!

Already a VCC member? Send us an **email** with any late breaking news or announcements that you want featured in next months newsletter!

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