



January 2024 Newsletter

Upcoming Events

- [Electric Vehicle Charging Assistance Program \(EVCAP\) Webinar](#), Virtual, Jan. 10
- [Gathering Momentum: Planning Accessible Mobility for Lynchburg](#), Lynchburg, VA, Jan. 11
- [Transit + Rail Advocacy Day & BBQ Bash](#), Richmond, VA, Jan. 22
- [Ethanol Safety and Steel Drum 101 Webinar 2](#), Virtual, Jan. 24
- [Energy Independence Summit](#), Washington, D.C, Feb. 11-14
- [Work Truck Week](#), Indianapolis, IN, March 5-8
- [VCC Rally in Richmond](#), Richmond, VA, Apr. 4

Click the events for more info.

EVCAP Information Session

ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (EVCAP)

Virginia Clean Cities is excited to partner with Virginia Energy to announce and support the new Electric Vehicle Charging Assistance Program (EVCAP). This subaward program will work at the community level to understand and address issues surrounding the deployment of EV charging stations and will inform current and future EV charging deployment. Join us on **January 10th, 2024, at 3:00 PM** for an insightful webinar hosted by the two organizations, shedding light on the new initiative.

[Learn More](#)

**VCC is Hiring for an
Upper Level Position**

**EPOWER Workplace
Charging Pledge**

JAMES MADISON UNIVERSITY

Now Hiring



Virginia Clean Cities is hiring an upper-level position: Clean Communities Economic Development Director. This position will oversee the expansion of efforts to advance air quality improvement, economic opportunity, and energy security through deployment of alternative fuel vehicles and infrastructure, educational programs, and other petroleum reduction efforts. Initial focus areas include Hampton Roads, Eastern Shore, Southwest Virginia, and working closely with the Port of Virginia.

The posting is open until **January 8, 2024.**

[Learn More](#)



EMPOWER
EV FRIENDLY WORKPLACES

The Pledge: My organization is supporting the growth of charging at work for our employees and pledges to investigate how we can install more workplace charging or better support employee access to electric vehicles.

Workplace charging provides great convenience for electric vehicle (EV) owners and in some cases, is essential for commuters that do not have access to charging at home. As an employer, you have a unique opportunity to capitalize on Federal, State, and local utility support for workplace charging while demonstrating your workplace's corporate leadership and sustainability commitment while providing enhanced employee benefits.

Learn more and sign the pledge today!

[Learn More](#)

Register for a Free Technician Certification

Edtunity Institute, SkillFusion, and Electrify America have partnered to create an opportunity for all Veterans, National Guard Members, and Reservists to obtain an introductory Electric Vehicle Operation and Maintenance MicroTrax Certification. This 20-hour credentialing is specifically designed to provide new opportunities for veterans and service members to obtain a valuable skill set, while also elevating their professional credibility and marketability within the EV Community.

To register, fill out the form below or email lmartinez@edtunity.org.

[More Info](#)





Something to get charged up about.

FREE Microtrax Course Begins Winter 2024.

REGISTRATION NOW OPEN FOR WINTER 2024

ELECTRIC VEHICLE TECHNICIAN OPERATIONS & MAINTENANCE CREDENTIALING

We are excited about our partnership with SkillFusion and Electrify America, as we have the opportunity to provide you with a FREE, introductory course about electric vehicles.

The Electric Vehicle Technician Operations & Maintenance Credentialing (EVTC) is specifically designed to assist professionals in cultivating a valuable skill set, while also elevating their professional credibility and marketability within the Electric Vehicle Service Equipment (EVSE) community.

The EVTC Program is comprised of a total of twenty hours, serving as a component of a more extensive sixty five-hour curriculum. Please note the lab portion of this course will be held in Norfolk, VA.

IMPORTANT DATES:

- January 8th, 2024: Class Begins
- February 2024: Labs take place in Norfolk, VA

To register, contact: lmartinez@edtunity.org or visit edtunity.org

WHO IS ELIGIBLE TO TAKE THE COURSE?

Veterans, National Guard Members, and Reservists.

WHAT IS THE FORMAT OF THIS COURSE?

The video and online learning model of this course is both collaborative and flexible combining the best of self-paced and lab based learning.

HOW CAN I ADVANCE THE CREDENTIALS I RECIEVE FROM THIS COURSE?

Once you earn the EVTC Badge from this course, you have the opportunity to advance towards an additional 45 hrs. of content in pursuit of further credentials.

CMAQ Webinar Recording

CMAQ

Congestion Mitigation & Air Quality Improvement Program

Hosted by: Virginia Clean Cities & Virginia Energy

Speakers:

Vince Maiden	- Virginia Energy
Russell Presnell	- VCC
Matt Wade	- VCC
Mike Morris	- Blossman Gas
Ellis Chapman	- Blossman Gas
Mike Cecere	- Clean Energy Fuels



On December 12th, 2023, VCC and partners discussed the details of the Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement Program (CMAQ) and the funding opportunities provided by the initiative. You can view the recording of the video through the link below.

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Charlottesville Establishes Office of Sustainability



VCC stakeholder City of Charlottesville recently announced the establishment of the Office of Sustainability. This is a part of the City's overarching plan to combat climate change and reach sustainability goals.

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EPA Clean School Bus Funding

The Bipartisan Infrastructure Law of



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2021 authorizes EPA to offer rebates to replace **existing school buses** with clean and zero-emission (ZE) models. The 2023 Clean School Bus (CSB) Rebates process includes SAM.gov account registration, application submission, review and selection by EPA, purchase order submission and request for payment, payment receipt, new bus delivery and old bus replacement, and close out. Visit the **EPA's website** for program guidance and more information about how to apply.

Join us at the Energy Independence Summit



The annual Energy Independence Summit is coming up in February. VCC invites its stakeholders to the conference and to our visits on Capitol Hill. If you would like to join us for either opportunity, please contact [Alleyn Harned](#) today!

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Fredericksburg City School District Adds Electric Buses to Fleet



Last fall, Fredericksburg City Public Schools announced the addition of 10 electric school buses to their fleet. The buses, received from VCC partner Sonny Merryman, were acquired with the help of a grant from the VA Clean School Bus Program.

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Interested in becoming a VCC Member? Check out our [membership page](#) or [contact us](#) with any questions.

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