



June 2023 Newsletter

Upcoming Events

- [Electric School Bus webinar](#), virtual, June 5
- [2023 Virginia Brownfields Conference](#), Danville, June 13 - 15
- [Technology Happy Hour: Dominion Energy on Hydrogen](#), virtual, June 15
- [2023 Resilient Virginia Conference](#), Charlottesville, August 1 - 2
- [Sustainable Fleet Technology Conference](#), Raleigh, August 14 - 16

Click the events for more info.

\$51 million Ride and Drive electric funding opportunity



Joint Office of
**Energy and
Transportation**

The Ride and Drive Electric funding opportunity will be administered by the Joint Office of Energy and Transportation (Joint Office), which was created through the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) to leverage the combined expertise of the departments of Energy and Transportation to build out a national electric vehicle (EV) charging network that can build public confidence and fill gaps in rural, disadvantaged, and hard-to-reach locations.

The funding will advance the mission and vision of the Joint Office by:

- Enhancing institutional capacity
- Encouraging holistic approaches
- Fostering inclusive and equitable outcomes
- Ensuring a reliable and consistent consumer experience.

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Going Electric Pledge



Want a chance to win an electric Ford F-150 Lightning? Sign the Going Electric Pledge with Generation180 to enter and help accelerate EV adoption nationwide. VCC and other clean cities coalitions are official partners in this promotional campaign.

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DOE selects VCC's LODESTAR project



VCC's proposal "Logistics Decarbonization in Strategic in EJ40 Areas" (or LODESTAR) was selected by the U.S. Department of Energy for funding in the amount of \$602,483. Project to include five electric delivery vans in Fredericksburg, Virginia, plus route work and data collection. The project will demonstrate last mile leadership by the fleet and a statewide disadvantaged student program. Read more about this and other selections at the link below.

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EPA's Clean School Bus program



Clean School Bus Program

The EPA recently announced the [2023 Clean School Bus \(CSB\) Grant Program](#). This is the first grant funding opportunity through the multi-year funding program and follows the 2022 CSB Rebate Program, which was the first round of funding. Under the 2023 Grant Program, EPA anticipates awarding \$400 million in competitive grant funding.

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New Roanoke RNG facility opens

Vehicle expo at Brownfields Conference



The Western Virginia Water Authority and Roanoke Gas Company have entered into a cooperative agreement to produce commercial quality renewable natural gas (RNG) from bio gas produced at the Roanoke Regional Water Pollution Control Plant. This RNG, the first of its kind in the Commonwealth, will necessitate construction of a digester gas conditioning system and interconnect facility at the Water Pollution Control Plant.

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VCC is working with the Drive Clean Rural USA Project and the Virginia Department of Energy to host a clean fuel vehicle expo as part of the Virginia Brownfields Conference in Danville, Virginia on June 14th. The conference will host attendees from state agencies, local governments and companies who work to revitalize brownfield sites. The vehicle expo is aiming to show the great variety of alternative fuel vehicles from E-Bikes to buses and everything in between.

If you are a local fleet manager interested in attending the vehicle expo only, please email [Sarah Stalcup-Jones](mailto:Sarah.Stalcup-Jones@vdeq.virginia.gov) for more information.

TEP is hiring a new leader!

Transportation Energy Partners (TEP) seeks an energetic and entrepreneurial leader to serve as its Executive Director. This position is ideal for someone excited about sustainability and clean energy, and motivated to build and strengthen this growing non-profit organization. TEP is open to an individual or a firm taking on the responsibilities of Executive Director.

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New and Returning Members!

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Returning Diamond Level Member!



Returning Gold Level Member!



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COUNTY

Returning Coalition Level Member!

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