

## September 2023 Newsletter

#### **Upcoming Events**

- National EV Charging Complimentary Policies Summit Virtual, Sept. 19
- Waynesboro National Drive Electric Week Event, Waynesboro, VA, Sept. 30
- Electricarpalooza 2023, Henrico, VA, Sept. 30
- Electric Vehicle Festival, Thornburg, VA, Oct. 7

Click the events for more info.

#### **NAFA Recognizes Eight Virginia Fleets**



The National Association of Fleet Administrators (NAFA), the vehicle fleet industry's largest membership association, announced their annual Green Fleet Awards winners on August 14, 2023, during the Sustainable Fleet Technology Conference and Expo in Raleigh, North Carolina.

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# **NEVI Request For Applications Extended**



VDOT has extended the due date for applications to the VDOT Phase I National Electric Vehicle Infrastructure (NEVI) Request For Applications (RFA-21191) to **Friday, October 6, 2023 at 6:00PM EST**. Addendum No. 2 covering this schedule change, as well as answers to questions received by August 11, 2023 have been posted to the Commonwealth's Marketplace, eVA.

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### **VCC Publishes Event Calendar for Partners**



At Virginia Clean Cities, events are where we have the most fun. We have just published our calendar of events, from July of 2023 to June of 2024. This calendar documents the events we host, as well as events by our stakeholders or partners that we are attending or otherwise support.

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#### Chesapeake First Municipal Renewable Natural Gas Fleet in Virginia

On June 1, 2023, the City of Chesapeake awarded Trillium Transportation Fuels, LLC., a four-year contract for the supply of renewable natural gas (RNG) for the City's fleet of compressed natural gas (CNG) powered solid-waste trucks.

## Recharged: Used EV Dealership Opens

## New EV Deployment Toolbox Unveiled



# recharged

In recent years, the demand for electric vehicles (EVs) has surged and many are eager to purchase their own EV.

However, the cost can be a big barrier for many consumers. With the growing focus on sustainability and a green future in Virginia, the state and federal government are implementing various policies and incentives to encourage the adoption of electric vehicles. That's where a visionary electric vehicle e-commerce platform named "Recharged", based in Richmond, Virginia, steps in.

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In September, 2022, the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments (COG) Board of Directors announced the Electric Vehicle (EV) Deployment Clearinghouse. These resources include information on local EV plans and policies, procurement and support agreements for EV infrastructure, as well as grants and partnership opportunities. Additionally, the Clearinghouse features an EV Charging Station Locator map, which assists COG members in identifying gaps in the EV charging network through helpful data visualizations.

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## **Hydrogen Technology** with Dominion Energy

On June 15th, Dominion Energy joined Virginia Clean Cities for the Technology Happy Hour. During the session, Geovanni Castano with Dominion Energy gave an introduction to hydrogen, a closer look at the fuel for heavy-duty transportation, and a glimpse at Hydrogen Hubs in the Mid-Atlantic.

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DERA Grants are Still Open

Electric F-150
Reimagines Future in Pittsylvania County



The EPA's Office of Transportation and Air Quality is soliciting applications nationwide for the Diesel Emissions Reduction Act (DERA) grant program. Priority for funding will also be given to projects that engage and benefit local communities already overburdened by air pollution, protect grant funded investments from severe weather events caused by climate change, and applicants that demonstrate their ability to reduce emissions after the project has ended. EPA anticipates awarding approximately \$115 million this round. If you are interested in applying, contact VCC today.

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Pittsylvania County in Southside Virginia recently received an electric Ford F-150 lightning as part of the Rural Reimagined project. The County's Public Works Director Chris Adcock shared the vehicle with his department staff on a trial basis for four weeks. The staff got experience in charging and using an electric vehicle for utility purposes. The truck has since moved on to another county in Virginia.

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### **New and returning members**



**Returning Platinum Level Member!** 



**Returning Diamond Level Member!** 



#### **New Coalition Level Member!**

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