



# February 2024 Newsletter

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## Upcoming Events

- [Energy Independence Summit](#), Washington, D.C, Feb. 11-14
- [International Biomass Conference & Expo](#), Richmond, VA, March 4-6
- [Work Truck Week](#), Indianapolis, IN, March 5-8
- [Forth Workshop: Equitable Transportation](#), Washington, D.C, March 14
- [VCC Rally in Richmond](#), Richmond, VA, April 4
- [Fleet Electrification US Conference](#), Washington, D.C., April 9-10
- [Advanced Clean Transportation Expo](#), Las Vegas, NV, May 20-23
- [VA Transit Association Annual Conference](#), Harrisonburg, VA, May 22-23

*Click the events for more info.*

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## Energy Independence Summit



The annual Energy Independence Summit is just a few days away. VCC invites its stakeholders to the conference and to our visits on Capitol Hill. If you would like to join us, visit the link below!

[Register](#)

[Direct Pay Tax Credits](#)

[Clean School Bus](#)

## Now Available!



Qualifying businesses, tax-exempt organizations or entities such as state, local and tribal governments can take advantage of certain tax credits even if they don't have taxable income through new elective payment and transfer options.

[Learn More](#)

## Program Deadline Extended



The Bipartisan Infrastructure Law of 2021 authorizes EPA to offer rebates to replace **existing school buses** with clean and zero-emission (ZE) models. The deadline, previously January 31st, has been extended to **February 14th, 2024 at 4 P.M. ET.**

[Learn More](#)

## Introducing: LODESTAR

Logistics Decarbonization in Strategic Environmental Justice Areas (LODESTAR), seeks to demonstrate and document the innovative use case for independent contractors to adopt electric delivery vans that serve urban, suburban and rural environmental justice (EJ) areas and provide a holistic solution to distribution center electrification that incorporates electrification of both the freight and distribution activity.



[More Info](#)

**Henrico County  
Awarded \$1.5 Million for  
EV Charging**

**Propane School Buses  
Love Cold Weather**



In January of 2024, the U.S. Department of Transportation awarded \$622.57 million in grant funding for the Charging and Fueling Infrastructure (CFI) Program to 47 applicants. These awards go to entities that are deploying publicly accessible EV charging and alternative fueling infrastructure.

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With millions of Americans facing sub-zero temperatures this winter, school systems need reliable transportation that operates well in cold weather. Our partner, Roush Cleantech, presents case studies of how three school districts are countering the winter cold with propane-fueled buses.

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**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.

## EMPOWER Pledge

Workplace charging provides great convenience for 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!

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# New and returning members





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**Returning Nonprofit Level Member!**

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