



# March 2024 Newsletter

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## Upcoming Events

- [Lynchburg: Let's Talk Mobility](#), Lynchburg, VA, March 21
- [VCC's Rally in Richmond](#), Richmond, VA, April 4
- [Fleet Electrification US Conference](#), Washington, D.C., April 9-10
- [Earth Day Staunton](#), Staunton, VA, April 20
- [Lone Pine Day](#), Front Royal, VA, April 21
- [Riverfest](#), Waynesboro, VA, April 27

*Click the events for more info.*

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## Join us at the Rally in Richmond!



The Rally at Main Street Station will take place on **April 4, 2024 from 2:00 - 8:00 PM**. This is Virginia's premier clean transportation event, supporting VCC's mission to improve Virginia's air quality and economic security. VCC honors green fleets and stakeholders with this special event held at the Main Street Station in Richmond. Don't miss the networking reception, awards program,

workshops and vehicle demos. This event is VCC's annual fundraiser to advance alternative fuel programs in Virginia and beyond. Join vendors, industry leaders and fellow professionals to exhibit with a booth or show off your alternative fuel vehicles!

[Register](#)

## Clean Cities and Communities Unveils New Name and Look



### Clean Cities and Communities

The U.S. Department of Energy's Vehicle Technologies Office is excited to unveil a new name and look for Clean Cities as this U.S. Department of Energy partnership moves into its fourth decade of advancing clean transportation nationwide! The new name, [Clean Cities and Communities](#), conveys the diversity of areas coalitions serve, and the new logo reflects the clean transportation focus.

[Learn More](#)

## Video: Clean Cities & Communities on Capitol Hill



In mid-February, representatives from [Clean Cities & Communities Coalitions](#) nationwide gathered at the Energy Independence Summit, embarking on a comprehensive outreach effort, meeting with delegates from their home states to discuss the transformative potential of clean fuels in transportation. Later that day, a coalitions convened with transportation policy experts at the White House, making a full round of the Capitol and leaving a significant impact.

[Watch Video](#)

## New Statewide Contract

A new state contract brought forth by James Madison University provides vehicle fleets in the Commonwealth of Virginia with new pricing on propane autogas vehicle conversion equipment, in addition to access to renewable propane autogas. Blossman Gas is the equipment and fueling partner on the contract, available to all fleets in Virginia.



[More Info](#)

## EV Day at the Capitol



On February 8<sup>th</sup>, VCC staff joined partners EVNoire, Drive Electric RVA, Generation 180 and more for Electric Vehicle Day at the Capitol in Richmond. The event served as a statewide kickoff for a new initiative from EVNoire called “[Electrifying Virginia](#).” With a new website full of resources, events and news, the initiative has plans for activities all over the Commonwealth in the coming months.

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## \$3 Billion Clean Ports Program



The US EPA announced the [Clean Ports Program](#) grant opportunity. Two Notices of Funding Opportunities (NOFOs) are open until the application window closes on May 28th. \$3 billion in funding is available from the Inflation Reduction Act to fund zero-emission port equipment and infrastructure, as well as climate and air quality planning for ports. Learn more about the two opportunities and register for the webinar below.

[Read More](#)



**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!

[Learn More](#)



# New and returning members



Returning Platinum Level Member!



Returning Gold Level Member!



Returning Gold Level Member!



New Startup Level Member!

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