

# ARKANSAS CLEAN CITIES NEWSLETTER JULY 2021

#### DIVISION OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY | OFFICE OF ENERGY

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### **DEQ ANNOUNCES FIRST REBATE RECIPIENTS OF LEVEL 2** ELECTRIC VEHICLE SUPPLY EQUIPMENT PROGRAM

The Department of Energy and Environment, Division of Environmental Quality's (DEQ) Office of Energy is proud to announce the first rebate recipients of the Level 2 Electric Vehicle Supply Equipment program. Rebate recipients include the City of Pine Bluff's Arts and Science Center, Little Rock Technology Park, City of Lonoke, City of Eureka Springs, City of Siloam Springs, City of Hot Springs, Mississippi County Electric Cooperative, Promenade Hospitality, and Burgundy Hotel. The Level 2 Electric Vehicle Supply Equipment program provides rebates for the installation of Level 2 electric vehicle charging stations and is open to both public and private applicants across the state. Level 2 stations can charge electric vehicles in eight hours or less using a 240-volt output.

Electric vehicle charging infrastructure will help reduce air pollution and position Arkansas as a leader in the United States in electric vehicle adoption. "Arkansas is the Natural State for a reason. We have some of the cleanest air in America. This infrastructure helps us continue that strong tradition of clean air," Secretary Becky Keogh said. DEQ has allocated \$215,563 each year in funding to Level 2 electric vehicle charging supply rebates during 2021, 2022, 2023, and 2024. More than \$107,000 remains available for the 2021 program year. The Level 2 Electric Vehicle Supply Equipment program is funded under the State Environmental Mitigation Trust established pursuant to the Volkswagen Settlement.

### 2021 LEVEL 2 EVSE REBATE PROGRAM BALANCE TRACKER

#### 2021 FUNDING: \$215,563

Balance as of 07/21/2021

\$107,567.50

**IMPORTANT NOTE:** The Level 2 EVSE Rebate Program Balance Tracker is updated on an asneeded basis and may have changed since the above graphic was created. To view the remaining balance of the Level 2 rebate fund, and for more information about all of the Arkansas programs funded by the Settlement, please visit: **www.adeq.state.ar.us/air/planning/vw.aspx**.

## NEWS & EVENTS

#### EXPLORE NEW TRANSPORTATION DATA ON THE STATE & LOCAL PLANNING FOR ENERGY PLATFORM AUG. 4 | 2 PM | WEBINAR

The National Renewable Energy Laboratory (NREL) will share new state- and county-level scenarios of vehicle adoption, fuel (and electricity) consumption, and miles traveled by fuel type under reference and high-electrification scenarios through 2050 hosted on State and Local Planning for Energy (SLOPE). Registration is required at the following link: https://nrel.webex.com/nrel/onstage/g.php?MTID=eb4ce022e7324a54fd53b616585b5a67c.

#### GREEN TRANSPORTATION SUMMIT & EXPO AUG. 16-18 | TACOMA, WA

The 10th annual Green Transportation Summit & Expo (GTSE) is the region's premier clean transportation convening event. With this year's theme of Reflecting + Refocusing on a Resilient Future, we are giving particular attention to recent events affecting our communities and livelihood. For more information, visit www.gtsummitexpo.com.

#### **ACT EXPO & CONFERENCE** CONFERENCE AUG. 30–SEPT. 2 & EXPO AUG. 31–SEPT. 1 | LONG BEACH CONVENTION CENTER, LONG BEACH, CALIFORNIA

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