

Sac Metro Air District's Guide to Applying for EVSE Incentives

Zero-emission technology is critical to achieving California's air quality and climate goals. The Sac Metro Air District is committed to growing the zero-emission vehicle (ZEV) market by investing in the electrification of our region's transportation fleet. Recognizing the need to expand the availability of electric vehicle supply equipment (EVSE), commonly referred to as electric vehicle chargers, the Sac Metro Air District offers incentive funding for the development of non-residential battery charging stations. Eligible projects for the program will include new and expansion to existing battery charging stations (level 2 or higher) situated in the Sacramento region. Applicants are highly encouraged to start preparing now. To aid in this process, below are a series of steps potential applicants can take.



1 Consider the type and amount of chargers needed for the project. The following chargers are commercially available:

- Level 1 Chargers: Slow charging typical for home use and overnight stays (*not eligible* for SMAQMD funding)
- Level 2 Chargers: Faster charging typical for commercial and public use
- Level 3/DC Fast Chargers: Fastest charging available for multiple vocations



2 Work with business owners and landlords early in the process to ensure communication.



3 Work with your local utility and electrician to determine site requirements and permits (i.e., panel upgrades, trenching, etc.).



4 Determine the amount and type of chargers best suited for your project needs and consider future expansion.



5 Obtain detailed cost quotes that may include but are not limited to site work, transformer upgrades, and equipment costs.



6 Work with your electrician or contractor to set a timeline that accounts for delays in approval, manufacturing, and funding.



7 Subscribe to our District Programs email list. Notifications will be sent out to our subscribers when funding is available.



8 Gather all your documents including:

- A site map showing the location of the proposed equipment
- Proof of location ownership or proof of lease with permission to install
- An itemized quote for the entire project (e.g., cost of design and engineering, equipment, and installation)
- Documentation from the utility that service is available for the project



9 Priority will be given to projects that are located in underserved or overburdened communities. Air District staff will help identify these communities.



10 Once the application period opens, apply early. Air District staff will work with you and answer any questions. Awarded applicants will be contacted by our staff.

For more information on our incentive programs and how to contact us, or how to subscribe to our email list, please visit our website at <http://www.airquality.org/Businesses/Incentive-Programs>.