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Illinois EPA Announces \$12.6 Million in Grants for Public Light-Duty Electric Vehicle Charging Infrastructure

Grants will fund 348 new EV fast charging ports at 87 Illinois locations

SPRINGFIELD —Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (Illinois EPA) Director John J. Kim today announced \$12.6 million is being awarded to 10 applicants for electric vehicle (EV) charging infrastructure. The grants will fund 348 new Direct Current Fast Charging (DCFC) ports at 87 locations throughout Illinois. The awards are based on a Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) issued in the fall of 2022 seeking publicly accessible locations in the three priority areas outlined in the Volkswagen (VW) Beneficiary Mitigation Plan (BMP). These grants were made possible after the Pritzker Administration committed to focus Illinois' remaining VW Settlement allocation on electric transportation and infrastructure.

“Here in Illinois, we are proud to boast a nation-leading EV ecosystem—from EV manufacturing and tax credits for companies and customers alike to a rapidly-growing EV charging infrastructure,” **said Governor JB Pritzker**. “Today, I couldn’t be happier to announce that, through our remaining VW Settlement money, we are dispersing \$12.6 million to build 348 new fast charging ports up and down the state. This doesn’t just expand access for residents and visitors—it also brings us one step closer towards our mission of achieving 100% clean energy by 2050.”

“We are excited to see EV charging infrastructure expanding throughout Illinois, providing much needed access, and complementing the State’s goals to expand EVs in Illinois,” **said Director Kim**. “We look forward to announcing additional opportunities to fund EV charging infrastructure through the Climate and Equitable Jobs Act, which will further expand accessibility for Illinois residents and visitors.”

The Illinois EPA is funding DCFC light-duty charging stations at publicly accessible locations (shopping centers, retail stores, gas stations, hotels, etc.) in the three priority areas outlined in the VW BMP and specified in the initial NOFO. Grant awards in the priority area/counties are as follows and include 42 sites in Environmental Justice areas:

- **Priority Area 1 = 34 Sites:** Cook = 6, DuPage = 11, Kane = 8, Lake = 3, McHenry = 2, and Will = 3, Grundy County = 1
- **Priority Area 2 = 22 Sites:** Madison = 11, Monroe = 2, and St. Clair = 9

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- **Priority Area 3 = 31 Sites:** Champaign = 7, DeKalb = 2, LaSalle = 4, McLean = 4, Peoria = 2, Sangamon = 3, and Winnebago = 9

Grant applicants were required to include a minimum of two projects in two or more of the priority areas. Applications with a minimum of three projects, one in each of the three priority areas, were prioritized for review, scoring, and funding.

As part of the VW Settlement, Illinois’ revised VW BMP focuses on reducing nitrogen oxide emissions in areas where the affected VW vehicles were registered. The revised BMP takes into consideration areas that do not meet federal air quality standards for ozone and bear a disproportionate share of the air pollution burden, including environmental justice areas.

A complete list of Grantees is included below.

Volkswagen Settlement - Electric Vehicle Charging Infrastructure Grantees

<u>Applicant</u>	<u>Award</u>	<u>County</u>	<u>City</u>	<u>Site Type</u>
BP Pulse	\$480,000	Champaign	Champaign	Gas stations
		Cook	Forest View	
		Cook	Cicero	
BP Pulse	\$480,000	Kane	Carpentersville	Gas stations
		DuPage	West Chicago	
		Winnebago	Roscoe	
ChargePoint	\$480,000	DuPage	Naperville	Retail Stores
		St. Clair	Shiloh	
		Champaign	Champaign	
ChargePoint	\$480,000	Kane	Elgin	Restaurants
		Cook	Hoffman Estates	
		Winnebago	Rockford	
Francis Energy	\$480,000	Lake	Beach Park	Gas Stations/ Restaurants
		Madison	Troy	
		McLean	LeRoy	
GPM Midwest	\$480,000	Madison	Hartford	Gas stations
		Winnebago	South Beloit	
		Sangamon	Springfield	
Kerry Farms	\$480,000	DuPage	Winfield	Retail/Event Center
		Peoria	East Peoria	
		DuPage	Winfield	
		St. Clair	Sauget	

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Loves Travel Stops	\$480,000	LaSalle	Utica	Truck Stops
		Madison	Hamel	
		Kane	Hampshire	
Loves Travel Stops	\$480,000	Sangamon	Williamsville	Truck Stops
		Will	Channahon	
		McLean	Normal	
Pilot Travel Centers	\$480,000	Grundy	Morris	Truck Stops
		St. Clair	Mascoutah	
		LaSalle	LaSalle	
Pilot Travel Centers	\$480,000	Will	Monee	Truck Stops
		Madison	Troy	
		Winnebago	South Beloit	
Powered Dynamics	\$480,000	Kane	Elgin	Shopping Centers
		DuPage	Glendale Heights	
		St. Clair	Belleville	
Powered Dynamics	\$480,000	Winnebago	Rockford	Shopping Centers
		Kane	Aurora	
		McHenry	Algonquin	
Road Ranger	\$480,000	Winnebago	South Beloit	Gas stations
		Kane	Hampshire	
		LaSalle	Ottawa	
Universal EV	\$407,550	Kane	North Aurora	Hotels
		Monroe	Columbia	
		Champaign	Champaign	
Universal EV	\$407,550	Cook	Palatine	Hotels
		Monroe	Waterloo	
		Champaign	Champaign	
Universal EV	\$407,550	Cook	Hoffman Estates	Hotels
		Madison	Granite City	
		Winnebago	Rockford	
Universal EV	\$407,550	DuPage	Bensenville	Hotels
		Madison	Pontoon Beach	
		Winnebago	Rockford	
Universal EV	\$407,550	DuPage	Lombard	Hotels
		Madison	Collinsville	
		Champaign	Champaign	

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Universal EV	\$407,550	Cook	Hoffman Estates	Hotels
		Madison	Granite City	
		DeKalb	DeKalb	
Universal EV	\$407,550	DuPage	Bensenville	Hotels
		Madison	Alton	
		Winnebago	Rockford	
Universal EV	\$407,550	Will	Bolingbrook	Hotels
		St. Clair	Fairview Heights	
		DeKalb	DeKalb	
Universal EV	\$407,550	DuPage	Naperville	Hotels
		St. Clair	Caseyville	
		LaSalle	Ottawa	
Universal EV	\$407,550	DuPage	Naperville	Hotels
		St. Clair	Caseyville	
		Peoria	Peoria	
Universal EV	\$407,550	Lake	Libertyville	Hotels
		St. Clair	O'Fallon	
		Champaign	Champaign	
Universal EV	\$407,550	DuPage	Oakbrook Terrace	Hotels
		Madison	Collinsville	
		Sangamon	Springfield	
Universal EV	\$407,550	Lake	Libertyville	Hotels
		Madison	Pontoon Beach	
		McLean	Normal	
Universal EV	\$407,550	McHenry	McHenry	Hotels
		St. Clair	Fairview Heights	
		McLean	Bloomington	
Universal EV	\$174,300	Kane	North Aurora	Hotels
		Champaign	Champaign	

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