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## **Air District launches *Charge!* Program, expanding Bay Area access to electric vehicle chargers**

**SAN FRANCISCO** – The Bay Area Air District is announcing the launch of the *Charge!* Program’s grant application process to access at least \$10 million in grant funding to offset the cost of purchasing and installing new chargers for light-duty electric vehicles at multi-family housing facilities, destinations, transit parking locations and workplaces across the Bay Area. This funding is available to businesses, homeowner associations, non-profits, public agencies and tribes. Applications are being accepted now through June 6, 2025, at 5 p.m.

The program’s goal is to expand access to EV chargers by helping to build a charging network able to support the Bay Area’s EV adoption goal of 90 percent of the overall vehicle fleet by 2050.

“As EV adoption rises, ensuring access to convenient, reliable charging infrastructure where people live, work and shop is essential,” said Dr. Philip Fine, executive officer of the Air District. “By prioritizing EV funding for disadvantaged and low-income communities, we can help make driving electric the best option for all Bay Area residents.”

The *Charge!* Program will prioritize investments at multi-family housing sites, specifically affordable and below market rate housing sites, in Priority Population Areas as defined by the California Air Resources Board, in rural areas and regions with low charger density.

The minimum qualifying grant for each project proposal is \$250,000, except for government-sponsored projects and projects exclusively located at multi-family housing sites, which must qualify for a minimum grant of \$10,000. For more information or to apply, visit [www.baaqmd.gov/charge](http://www.baaqmd.gov/charge).

*Charge!* Program funding comes from a surcharge on motor vehicles registered in the Bay Area, which, since 1991, has also supported programs for clean air vehicles and infrastructure, ride sharing, shuttles and bicycle facilities. The program may include additional funding sources as available.

The [Bay Area Air District](#) is the regional agency responsible for protecting air quality in the nine-county Bay Area. Connect with the Air District via [X](#), [Facebook](#), [Instagram](#) and [YouTube](#).

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