

# City of Plymouth: Electric Vehicle Presentation

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# About the Great Plains Institute

- 501(c)3 non-profit
- Mission: Accelerate the transition to net-zero carbon emissions for the benefit of people, the economy, and the environment
- Values: Trusted, inclusive, equitable, pragmatic, and transformative



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**Better Energy. Better World.**

# About Drive Electric Minnesota

- Facilitated by the Great Plains Institute
- Mission: Accelerate the adoption of electric vehicles in Minnesota
- What we do:
  - Educate Minnesotans on the benefits of driving electric through research and analysis
  - Organize events to create awareness about electric vehicles
  - Collaborate with all stakeholders to advance electric vehicles in Minnesota
  - Advocate for policies that help establish Minnesota as a national leader in electric vehicle adoption



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# Electric Vehicle 101

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# Two Types of Plug-in Electric Vehicles



- Battery Electric Vehicle (EV or BEV)
- 100% electric
- Refuel from charging stations only
- 0 emissions
- Nissan Leaf, Chevy Bolt, Ford F150 Lightning, Tesla Model 3, etc.



- Plug-in hybrid electric vehicle (PHEV)
- Electric motor and a combustion engine
- Refuel at gas stations and charging stations
- Can go a moderate range (<50 miles) pure electric before switching to combustion engine
- Mitsubishi Outlander PHEV, Chevy Volt, etc.



- Hybrid Electric Vehicle (HEV)
- Primarily uses a combustion engine
- Refuel only at gas stations
- Uses an electric motor only at very low speeds and to increase MPG
- Toyota Prius

# Model Availability

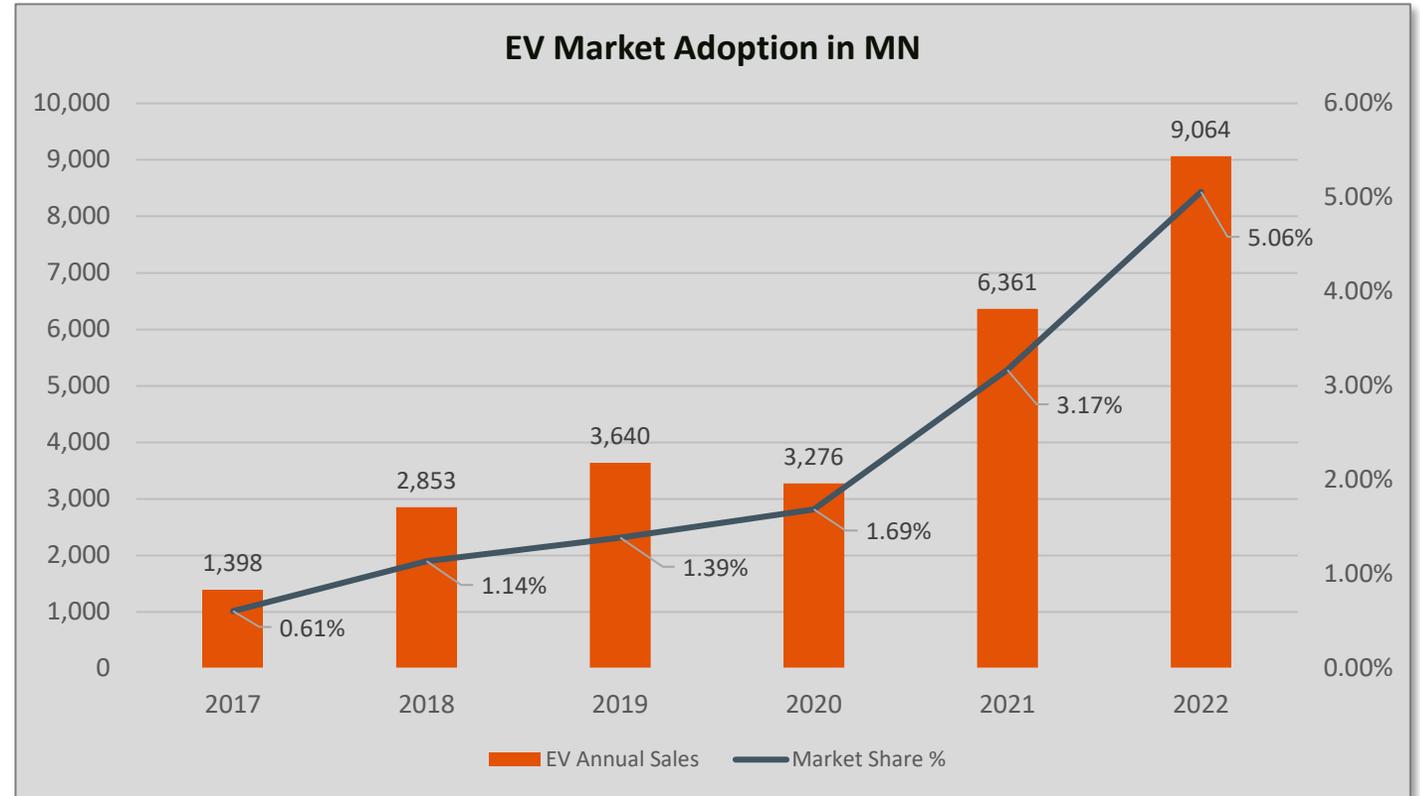
- 75 different models on the market now
- The average range for battery electric vehicles is 277 miles
- About a third of EVs are priced under \$50,000 (average price of passenger car in the US) even before the \$7,500 tax credit is applied

Manufacturer		Photo	Seating	EV Type	FWD/ RWD/ AWD	Base MSRP	Federal tax credit	Range			Charging speed (miles/hr)			Performance					
Make	Model							Battery size (kWh)	Electric Range (miles)	Total Range (miles)	Charging rates (kW) L2/DCFC	Level 1 120V	Level 2 240V	DCFC 400+V	MPGs/MPG	Top Spd (mph)	0-60 mph (sec)	Towing capacity (lbs)	Safety Ratings by NHTSA
Audi	Q4 e-tron		5	BEV	AWD	\$49,800	<a href="https://www.fueleconomy.gov">fueleconomy.gov</a>	82	241	241	11/125	3	31	282	95	112	5.8	2600	Top Safety Pick +
Audi	Q4 Sportback e-tron		5	BEV	AWD	\$58,200	<a href="https://www.fueleconomy.gov">fueleconomy.gov</a>	82	241	241	11/125	3	31	282	95	112	5.8	2600	Top Safety Pick +
Audi	Q5 e-tron (S)		5	BEV	AWD	\$74,400	<a href="https://www.fueleconomy.gov">fueleconomy.gov</a>	106	285	285	9.6-19.2 /170	3	44	315	78	124-130	4.3-5.6	4000	Top Safety Pick +
Audi	Q5 e-tron Sportback (S)		5	BEV	AWD	\$77,800	<a href="https://www.fueleconomy.gov">fueleconomy.gov</a>	106	300	300	9.6-19.2 /170	3	44	311	77	124-131	4.3-5.4	4000	Top Safety Pick +
Audi	e-tron GT		5	BEV	AWD	\$106,500	<a href="https://www.fueleconomy.gov">fueleconomy.gov</a>	93	238	238	9.6/270	3	23	292	82	155	3.1-3.9	0	Not Rated
Audi	Q5 TFSI e		5	PHEV	AWD	\$57,400	<a href="https://www.fueleconomy.gov">fueleconomy.gov</a>	17.9	20	390	7.4	2	14	N/A	61/26	150	5	4400	Top Safety Pick +
BMW	i4		5	BEV	RWD/ AWD	\$52,200	<a href="https://www.fueleconomy.gov">fueleconomy.gov</a>	81	217-301	217-301	11/195	4	33	463	80-109	140	3.7-5.5	0	Not Rated
BMW	i5		5	BEV	RWD/ AWD	\$66,800	<a href="https://www.fueleconomy.gov">fueleconomy.gov</a>	81	240-295	240-295	11/195	4	33	463	85-105	120-130	3.7-5.7	0	Not Rated
BMW	i7		5	BEV	AWD	\$124,200	<a href="https://www.fueleconomy.gov">fueleconomy.gov</a>	106	318	318	11/195	4	33	612	89	130	4.5	0	Not Rated

Source: Screenshot of [US EV Info List](#), used with permission from Jukka Kukkonen, founder of Shift2Electric.

# EV Adoption in Minnesota

- EVs on the road as of 7/1/23
  - 28,257 BEVs
  - 13,157 PHEVs
- The rate of EV adoption has been climbing in MN each year
- EVs market share reached the 5% threshold in 2022



Source: Data from “Electric Vehicle Sales Dashboard,” Alliance for Automotive Innovation, March 3, 2023, <https://www.autosinnovate.org/EVDashboard>

# Electric Vehicle Charging

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# Types of Passenger EV Chargers

## Level 1 (120v)



- Included with vehicle
- Plug into regular 120v socket.
- 1-1.4 kW
- 4 miles added per hour

## Level 2 (240v)



SAE J1772

- Most popular vehicle charging method.
- Requires installation
- 6.4-19 kW
- 30-60 miles added per hour

## Direct-current (DC) Fast Charging



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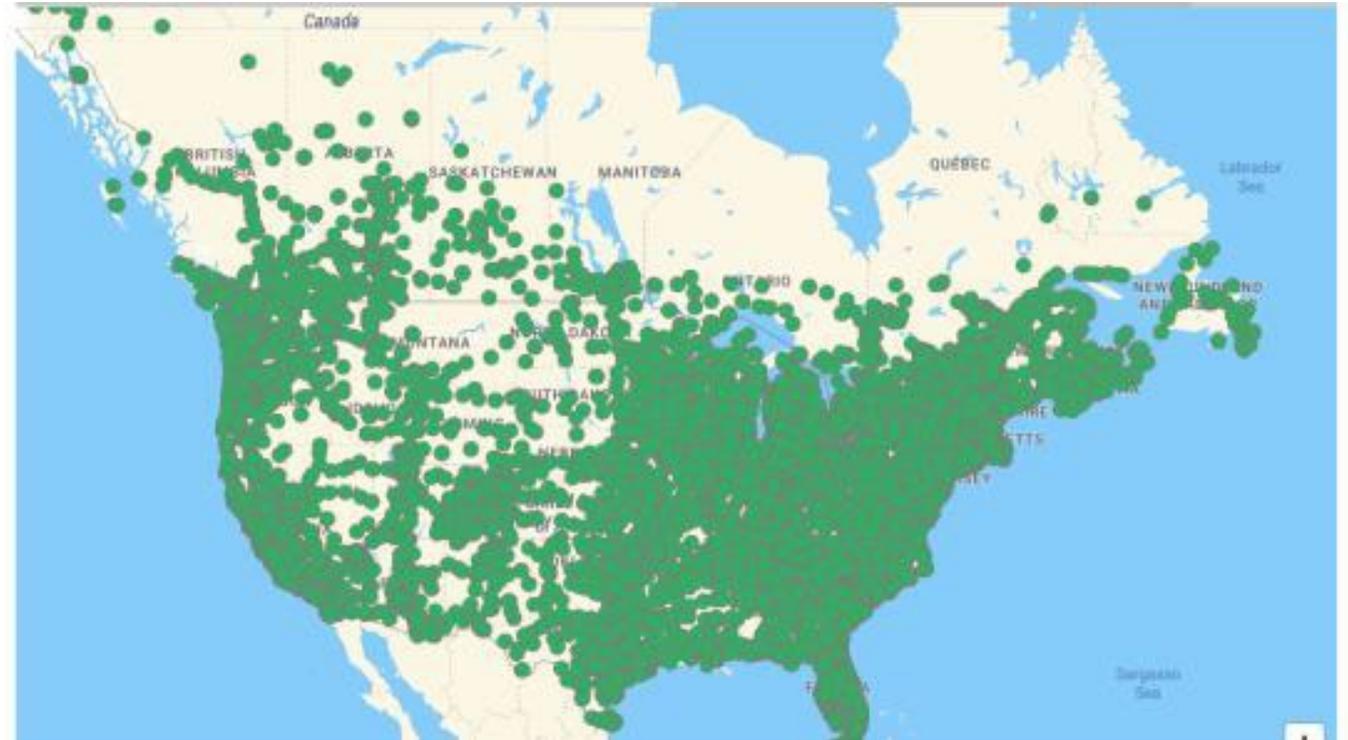
Tesla (NACS)

- Commercial installations at retail centers, highway charging stations etc.
- 50-350 kW
- Up to 400 miles in 30 minutes

Learn more at [driveelectricmn.org/charging](https://driveelectricmn.org/charging)

# EV Charging Infrastructure

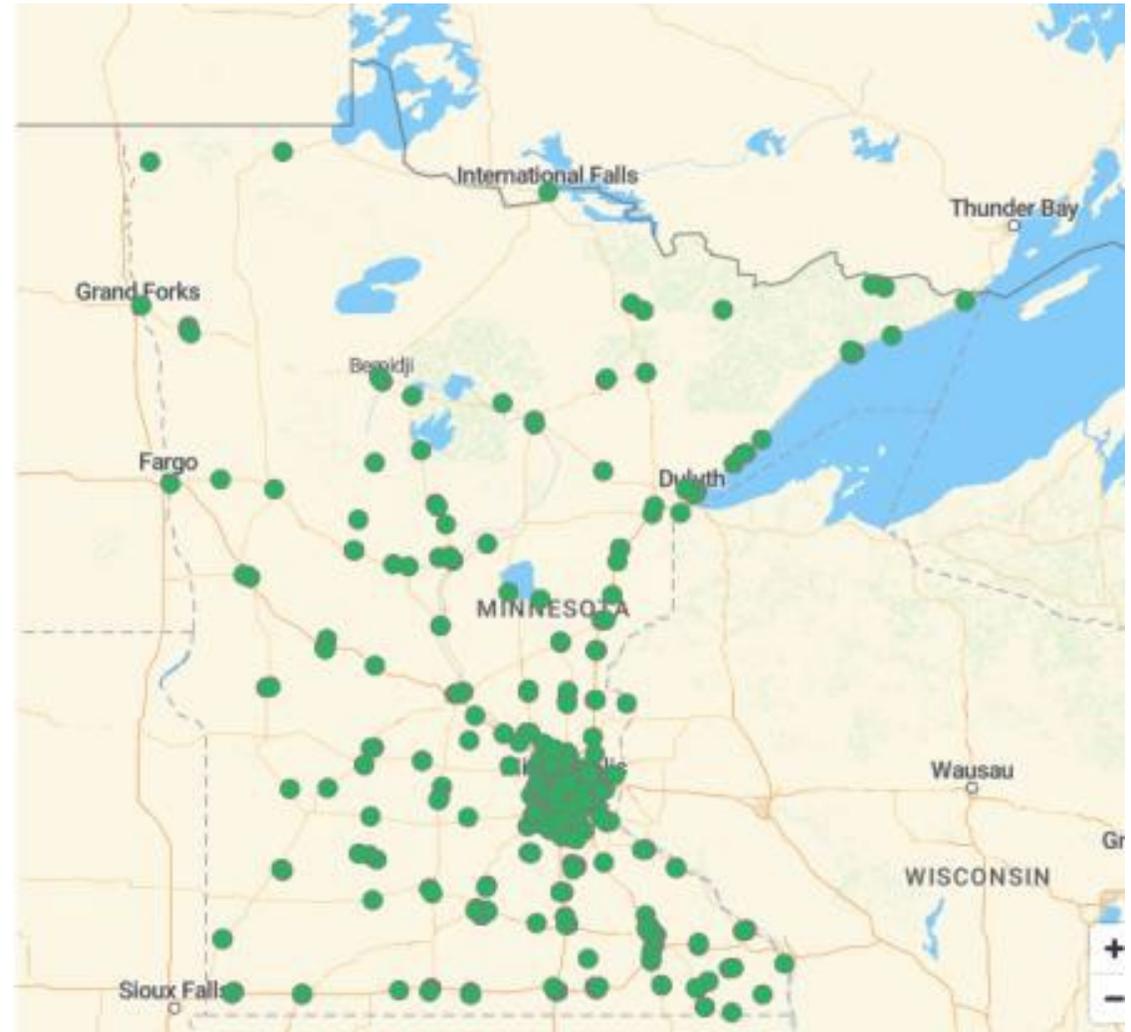
- 68,741 public charging stations as of 10/23/2023
- 177,905+ EV charging ports
  - Level 2
  - DC fast chargers
- Filter by stations along designated “fuel corridors” (highways)



Source: Screenshot of [Alternative Fueling Station Locator](#), courtesy of Alternative Fuels Data Center

# EV Charging Infrastructure in Minnesota

- 715 public charging stations as of 10/23/2023
- 1,803 charging ports
  - Level 2
  - DC fast charger
  - Concentration in the Twin Cities Region
- The [EValueMN Tool](#) by Atlas Public Policy also contains information on charger networks in MN
  - 16 EV charging networks overall currently



Source: Screenshot of [Alternative Fueling Station Locator](#), courtesy of Alternative Fuels Data Center.

# Upcoming Charging Investments

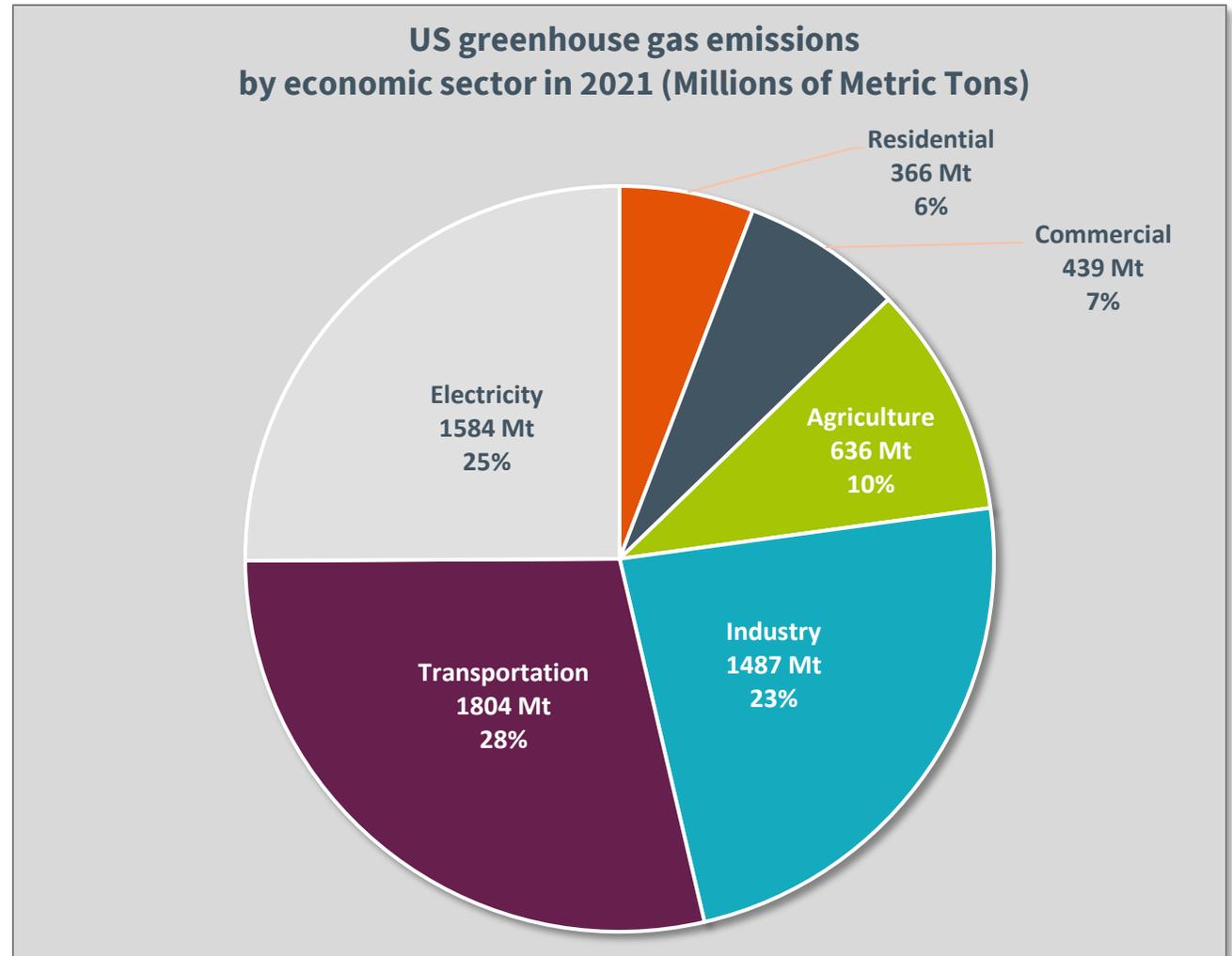
	US	MN
National Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Program <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• alternative fuel corridors</li></ul>	\$5 billion	\$81.6 million
Charging and Fueling Infrastructure (CFI) Program <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• alternative fuel corridors and communities</li></ul>	\$2.5 billion	TBD
Infrastructure Investments and Jobs Act (IIJA) <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• EV charger upgrades and investments</li></ul>	Depends—most allocated to above mentioned programs	\$216.4 million (matching funds)
Volkswagen Settlement Appendix D	Depends—not all states designating funding toward EV charging	\$7 million

# Benefits of Electric Vehicles

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# Transportation Emissions

- Transportation sector is the highest GHG emitter



Source: Data from "US Greenhouse Gas Emissions and Sinks Report," US Environmental Protection Agency, April 13, 2021, <https://www.epa.gov/ghgemissions/inventory-us-greenhouse-gas-emissions-and-sinks>

# Health Benefits

Between 2020 and 2050:



\$978 billion in public health benefits



89,300 fewer premature deaths



2.2 million fewer asthma attacks



10.7 million fewer lost workdays

# Lower Cost

- Fuel savings

Average Minnesotan can save close to \$1,400 a year on fuel by switching to an electric vehicle

- Less maintenance

Maintenance and repair costs are half of that for a gas vehicle according to Consumer Reports.

Access → <https://driveelectricmn.org/tool-helps-minnesotans-calculate-fuel-cost-savings-from-switching-to-an-electric-vehicle/>

## Calculate Your Fuel Cost Savings When You Switch to an Electric Vehicle!

Enter your estimated number of miles traveled per year:	<input type="text" value="13,476"/>	miles per year
Enter your car's fuel economy:	<input type="text" value="26"/>	miles per gallon
Enter your local gas price:	\$ <input type="text" value="3.65"/>	dollars per gallon
Enter your local electricity price:	<input type="text" value="0.11"/>	Dollars per kWh
		<b>\$1,373</b> saved per year

By switching to an electric vehicle, you save about **\$1,373** per year!

The average fuel economy for electric vehicles sold in the United States is 0.35 kWh per mile. This figure is calculated using the fuel economy figures from the US Environmental Protection Agency. Source: US Environmental Protection Agency and US Department of Energy.

Source: Screenshot of [Fuel Savings Cost Calculator](#), courtesy of Drive Electric Minnesota

# Lower Maintenance



**Maintenance Schedule  
for your 2017 Chevrolet Bolt EV**

Certified Service	Mileage																				
	7,500 miles	15,000 miles	22,500 miles	30,000 miles	37,500 miles	45,000 miles	52,500 miles	60,000 miles	67,500 miles	75,000 miles	82,500 miles	90,000 miles	97,500 miles	105,000 miles	112,500 miles	120,000 miles	127,500 miles	135,000 miles	142,500 miles	150,000 miles	
Rotate tires, if recommended for the vehicle, and perform Required Services.	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Replace passenger compartment air filter (or 2 years, whichever comes first)			✓			✓			✓										✓		
Drain and fill vehicle coolant circuits.																					✓



**Maintenance Schedule for your  
2016 Chevrolet Cruze Limited**

Certified Service	Mileage																				
	7,500 miles	15,000 miles	22,500 miles	30,000 miles	37,500 miles	45,000 miles	52,500 miles	60,000 miles	67,500 miles	75,000 miles	82,500 miles	90,000 miles	97,500 miles	105,000 miles	112,500 miles	120,000 miles	127,500 miles	135,000 miles	142,500 miles	150,000 miles	
Rotate tires, if recommended for the vehicle, and perform Required Services. Check engine oil level and oil life percentage. Change engine oil and filter, if needed.	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Replace passenger compartment air filter (or 2 years, whichever comes first)			✓			✓			✓						✓				✓		
Replace engine air cleaner filter (or every 4 years, whichever occurs first)						✓						✓							✓		
Replace spark plugs and inspect spark plug wires.														✓							
Replace spark plugs - inspect ignition coils boots (Applies to: 1.4 L.)											✓							✓			
1.8L Engine Only: Replace timing belt, idler pulley, and timing belt tensioner (or every 3 years, whichever comes first). (Applies to: 1.8 L.)															✓						
Change automatic transmission fluid, if equipped (if filter is serviceable, change filter). (Applies to: Severe)									✓				✓							✓	
Change manual transmission fluid. (Applies to: Manual, Severe)									✓				✓							✓	
Drain and fill engine cooling system (or every 5 years, whichever comes first)																					✓
Change brake fluid (or every 3 years, whichever occurs first)									✓				✓							✓	
Change clutch fluid (or every 3 years, whichever occurs first). (Applies to: Manual)									✓				✓							✓	
Inspect evaporative control system.									✓				✓							✓	
Inspect engine accessory drive belts for fraying, excessive cracks or obvious damage (or every 10 years, whichever occurs first)																					✓

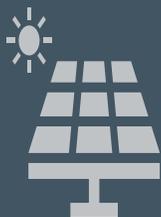
# Energy Independence



In 2022, the United States consumed an average of about 20.01 million barrels of petroleum per day, or a total of about 7.3 billion barrels of petroleum.



EVs can reduce oil dependence and halt oil imports.



For the EV driver: Renewable energy allows energy independent transportation.

# Incentives & Regulations

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# Federal

- Receive up to \$7,500 off qualifying new EVs:
  - US Department of Energy provides a list of eligible vehicles at <https://afdc.energy.gov/laws/electric-vehicles-for-tax-credit>
  - Qualification for rebate amount depends on income limits, MSRP limits, and critical mineral requirements
- Receive up to \$4,000 or 30 percent off a used EV:
  - Qualification for rebate depends on income limits, sales price, age and weight of EV
- Download Drive Electric Minnesota's [Clean Vehicle Credits Fact Sheet](#)

# Minnesota

- Clean Cars Minnesota
  - Requires automakers to sell more efficient vehicles and offer some zero-emission models
- MnPASS EV Incentive:
  - Battery electric vehicles receive a one-time **E-ZPass Minnesota credit of \$250.**
  - Plug-in hybrid electric vehicles receive a one-time **E-ZPass Minnesota credit of \$125.**
- Utility incentives:
  - Charger rebates
  - Time of day **rates as low as \$0.04/kWh.** Regular rates average around \$0.13/kWh.
- MN Electric Vehicle Rebate Program (upcoming)
  - **Up to \$2,500 off** a NEW electric vehicle with an MSRP  $\leq$  \$55,000 MSRP
  - **Up to \$600 off** a USED electric vehicle with an MSRP  $\leq$  \$25,000
- Electric-Assisted Bicycle Rebate Program (upcoming)
  - Maximum rebate of 75% off an e-bike purchased from an eligible retailer, **up to \$1,500 off**
  - Rebate is reduced by 1% for each \$4,000 an individual makes over \$25,000, or a couple makes over \$50,000
  - Rebate percentage reduces to 50% at the most
- For a database of available electric vehicle and charging incentives in Minnesota, visit <https://driveelectricmn.org/incentives/>

# Electric Vehicle Batteries

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# EV Battery Facts

1. Minerals used in EV batteries are reusable and recyclable.
2. Emissions associated with EV battery production are declining.
3. Manufacturing and recycling batteries at the end of their usefulness produces fewer greenhouse gases than conventional vehicles over the same time period.
4. A lot of technologies, including your cell phone and computer, use lithium-ion batteries.
5. The EV Industry is looking for options other than cobalt and nickel to address human rights concerns associated with cobalt mining.

Download → <https://driveelectricmn.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/10/Battery-Talking-points-1.4.pdf>



## THE TOP FIVE THINGS TO KNOW ABOUT ELECTRIC VEHICLE BATTERIES

As electric vehicles (EVs) become more popular, many questions have surfaced regarding their batteries, environmental impact, and ethics. There's no doubt that the increasing demand for EVs will increase the demand for components that make up the vehicles, like batteries. The following talking points address common questions surrounding the impact EV batteries have and identify progress being made in this space. Each talking point is followed with references from studies and articles for those that want to dive deeper.

### MINERALS USED IN EV BATTERIES ARE RECYCLABLE, AND THEY'RE USED TO PRODUCE NEW BATTERIES.

Most materials used in EV battery manufacturing, such as copper and aluminum, are widely recycled. This cuts down on the need for new raw materials.

- Copper, for instance, is 8 percent of the battery cell mass in the Chevrolet Bolt (compared to 2 percent for lithium),<sup>1</sup> and 100 percent recyclable while maintaining its valuable engineering qualities such as durability, high conductivity, and efficiency. Additionally, it can continually be used without damaging its engineering qualities.<sup>2</sup>
- While lithium has been more challenging to recycle, the increase in EV adoption creates more demand and spurs more recycling research and development for recycling it. There's already a company in Canada, Li-Cycle, that can recover greater than or equal to 95 percent of lithium-ion batteries materials.<sup>3</sup> Founded in 2016, the company quickly moved from pilot to commercial scale and can now process 5,000 tons of lithium-ion batteries annually at its Ontario, Canada commercial facility and is opening a second commercial facility in New York in 2020.<sup>4</sup>
- Some ways to make lithium-ion battery recycling more economically viable are "better sorting technologies, a method for separating electrode materials, greater process flexibility, design for recycling, and greater manufacturer standardization of batteries."<sup>5</sup>

# Resources for Prospective EV Drivers

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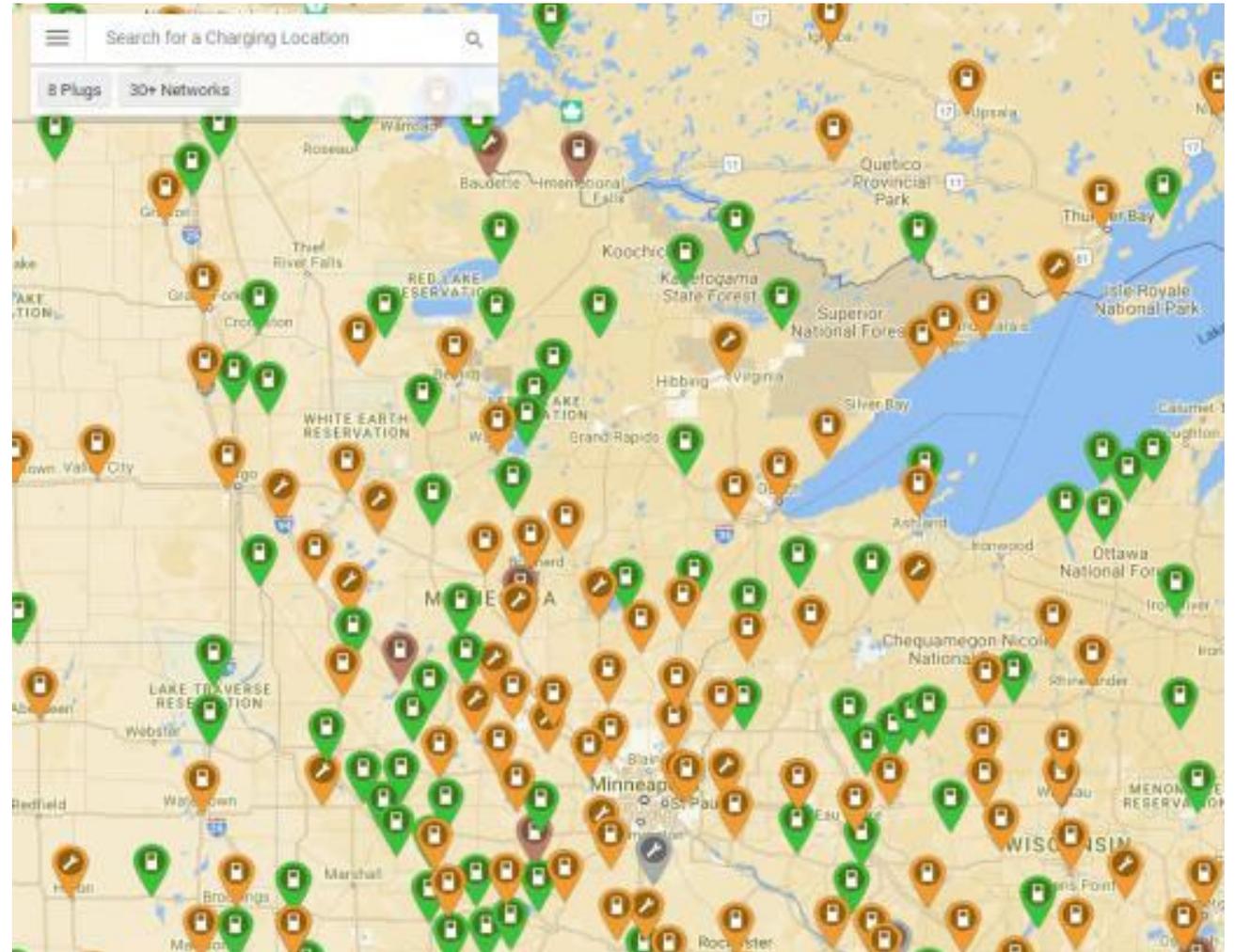
# Which EV is right for me?

- Xcel Energy  
[Xcel Energy EV catalog tool](#)
- Plugstar  
[Plugstar Shopping Assistant](#)
- National Automobile Dealership Association  
[NADA guides](#)



# Do I have public charging options near me?

- [Plugshare](#) offers a map with details on chargers.
- The map can be customized to show compatible chargers.
- You can also plan your trips on the app.



Source: Screenshot of [EV Charging Station Map](#), courtesy of PlugShare

# Can I get a rebate?

- [Drive Electric Minnesota](#) has a database of EV Incentives in MN
  - Federal
  - State
  - Utility

## Learn about available and upcoming electric vehicle and charging incentives in Minnesota

The database below, developed by Drive Electric Minnesota, contains information about available and upcoming electric vehicle and charging station incentives. By default, incentives are grouped by type and sorted by date.

Use the filter and search functions to find relevant incentives for you!

Looking for information about available electric utility programs that can lower your charging costs? Visit [MNCharging.org](#) and select your electric utility.

	Name	Deadline	Amount	Geography	Eligibility	Description
57	SWCE EV Charger Rebate	12/31/2024	Up to \$500	Southeast	Individuals	SWCE is offering a rebate
58	Todd-Wadena Electric Coop...	12/31/2024	Up to \$500	Central	Individuals	Todd-Wadena Electric Coc
59	Value of Electricity EV Char...	12/31/2023	Up to \$750	Northwest Central	Individuals Businesses	Value of Electricity is a pro
60	WH CIP Residential EV Cha...	12/31/2023	Up to \$500	Metro	Individuals	Wright-Hennepin is offeri
61	WH Commercial EV Charge...	12/31/2024	Up to \$2,000	Metro	Businesses Multifamily bu	Wright-Hennepin is offeri
62	WH EV ZEP Energy Chargin...	12/31/2023	\$500	Metro	Individuals	Wright-Hennepin is offeri
63	Wild Rice Electric Cooperat...	12/31/2023	Up to \$750	Northwest Central	Individuals Businesses	Wild Rice Electric Coopera
64	Xcel Optimize Your Charge	12/31/2024	\$50	Metro Central West Cer	Individuals Businesses	Xcel's Optimize Your Char
CATEGORY		Count: 4				
65	2023 EV Survey	12/31/2023	\$50	Statewide	Individuals	Through Bright Energy So
66	2023 RPU EV Enrollment R...	12/31/2023	\$200	Southeast	Individuals Businesses	Rochester Public Utilities

66 records

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# What will the total lifetime cost of my EV be?

- The [Alternative Fuels Data Center](#) has a tool to help prospective buyers estimate total vehicle lifecycle costs
- The tool includes both electric and internal combustion engine vehicles

**Vehicle Cost Calculator**

This tool uses basic information about your driving habits to calculate total cost of ownership and emissions for makes and models of most vehicles, including alternative fuel and advanced technology vehicles. Also see the [cost calculator widgets](#).

**ASSUMPTIONS**

**Choose vehicles to compare**

Select up to eight vehicles to compare from the makes and models below or [create your own custom vehicle](#).

2023  Make  Model

[Create Custom Vehicle](#)

**Tell us how you use your car**

Because vehicle efficiencies vary depending on how you use your car, this information allows the tool to more accurately calculate fuel usage.

**Normal Daily Use**

Average daily driving distance  miles

Days per week

Weeks per year

Percent highway

**Other Trips**

Annual mileage  miles

Percent highway

Annual Driving Distance **11926 miles**  
City Distance **5301 miles**  
Highway Distance **6625 miles**

Source: Screenshot of the [Vehicle Cost Calculator Tool](#), courtesy of the Alternative Fuels Data Center

# What will my monthly electric bill be?

- Perch Energy has an [Electric Car Energy Cost Calculator](#) that can estimate your monthly electric bill

The screenshot shows a web-based calculator titled "Electric car energy cost calculator". It is divided into two main sections: input fields on the left and results on the right.

**Input Fields (Left):**

- Model of your electric car:** A dropdown menu showing "Tesla Model 3".
- Kwh per 100 miles of your electric car:** A text input field containing "24" with the unit "kwh/100 miles" to its right.
- Average miles driven per day:** A text input field containing "20".
- What's your electricity cost per kWh?:** A text input field containing "16" with the unit "¢/kWh" to its right. Below this field, it notes "National average is 16 ¢/kWh".

**Results (Right):**

- Cost:** "\$ 23.04 per month" (displayed in green).
- Energy usage:** "144 kWh per month" (with a lightning bolt icon).
- Your monthly carbon footprint:** "132 Lbs CO2 generated" (with a leaf icon).
- Comparison:** A horizontal line with "THAT'S LIKE" in the center.
- Equivalent Mileage:** "151 miles\*" (with a car icon) and "Driven by a gas car".
- Footnote:** "All equivalencies are calculated via the EPA green house gas emissions calculator."

Source: Screenshot of the [Electric Car Energy Cost Calculator](#), shared with permission from Perch Energy

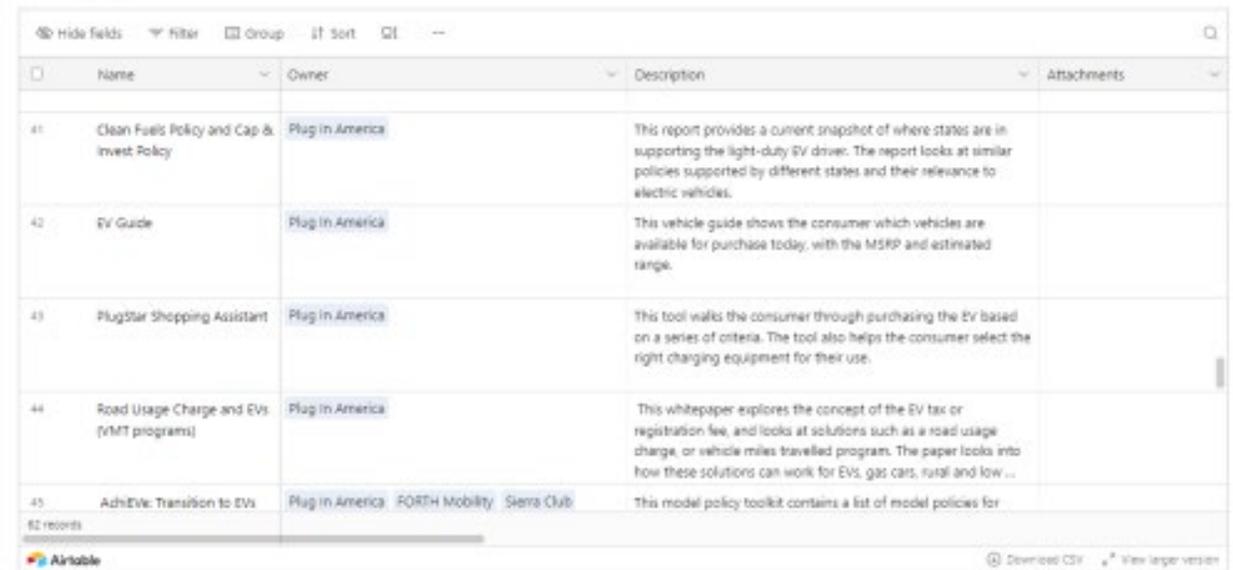
# Where can I find other helpful EV resources?

- For a list of resources on electric vehicles, visit our [Electric Vehicle Resource Database](#)
  - Guides
  - Best practices
  - Tools
  - And more!

## Electric Vehicle Resource Database

The database below, developed by Drive Electric Minnesota, categorizes educational resources on electric vehicles across various criteria, allowing you to easily filter resources to your needs. Some suggested uses:

- Find and share resources applicable to audiences you're communicating with
- Find and share resources applicable to rural and urban areas in Minnesota
- Find out how specific groups, like electric utilities, are educating people about electric vehicles
- Find resources that answer questions from your members, followers, or constituents
- And more!



The screenshot shows a web-based database interface for electric vehicle resources. At the top, there are controls for 'Hide fields', 'Filter', 'Group', 'Sort', and a search icon. Below these is a table with columns for 'Name', 'Owner', 'Description', and 'Attachments'. The table contains five rows of resource entries, each with a unique ID and a link to the resource. The 'Owner' column for all entries is 'Plug In America'. The 'Description' column provides a brief overview of each resource's content.

	Name	Owner	Description	Attachments
41	Clean Fuels Policy and Cap & Invest Policy	<a href="#">Plug In America</a>	This report provides a current snapshot of where states are in supporting the light-duty EV driver. The report looks at similar policies supported by different states and their relevance to electric vehicles.	
42	EV Guide	<a href="#">Plug In America</a>	This vehicle guide shows the consumer which vehicles are available for purchase today, with the MSRP and estimated range.	
43	PlugStar Shopping Assistant	<a href="#">Plug In America</a>	This tool walks the consumer through purchasing the EV based on a series of criteria. The tool also helps the consumer select the right charging equipment for their use.	
44	Road Usage Charge and EVs (VMT programs)	<a href="#">Plug In America</a>	This whitepaper explores the concept of the EV tax or registration fee, and looks at solutions such as a road usage charge, or vehicle miles travelled program. The paper looks into how these solutions can work for EVs, gas cars, rural and low ...	
45	AziEVs: Transition to EVs	<a href="#">Plug In America</a> <a href="#">FORTH Mobility</a> <a href="#">Sierra Club</a>	This model policy toolkit contains a list of model policies for	

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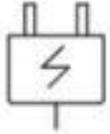


# ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING PROGRAMS

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# XCEL ENERGY EV HOME CHARGING PROGRAMS



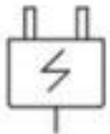
## **EV Accelerate At Home (MN)**

Provides customers with a Level 2 charger that we install and maintain. Overnight EV charging billed at lower cost per kWh. Monthly fee of ~\$17 on existing Xcel Energy bill with no upfront cost for charger, lifetime warranty/maintenance for charger as long as customer participates



## **Time of Day Separate Meter (MN)**

Requires customer investment in separate meter, \$4.95/month service charge, with a lower cost per kWh for overnight EV charging. Good option for ~10% of customers.

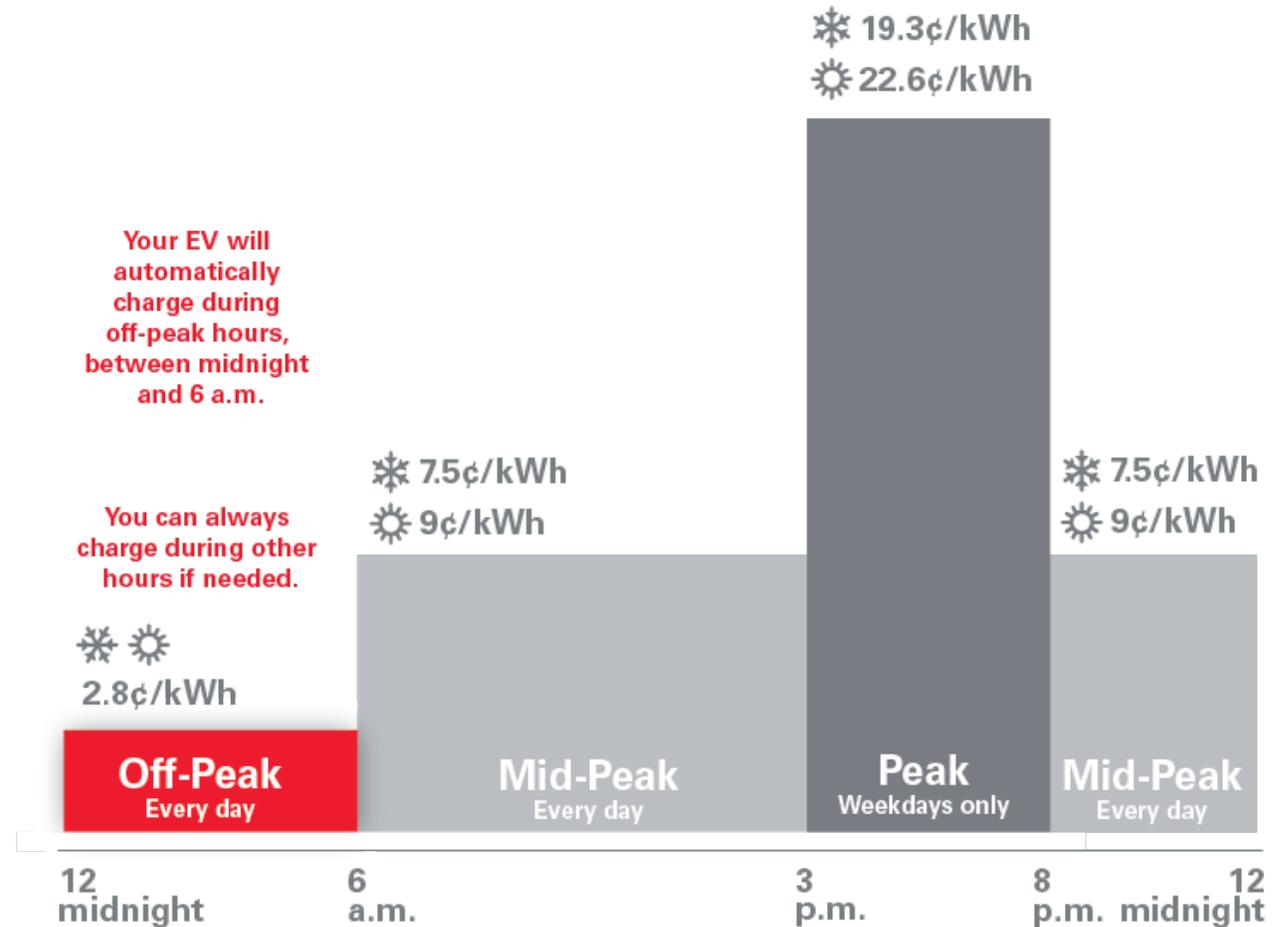


## **Optimize Your Charge (MN)**

An option for EV owners who already have a charging station. \$50 annual bill credit

*\*Only available to Xcel Energy electric customers. Check with your utility for similar programs if you are not an Xcel Energy customer.*

# XCEL ENERGY OFF-PEAK EV CHARGING COSTS



Your EV will automatically charge during off-peak hours, between midnight and 6 a.m.

You can always charge during other hours if needed.

*Note: with service fees and taxes incorporated (which apply to regular home rate as well) effective Off-Peak rate is \$0.07/kWh*

- ❄ Winter electricity prices are in effect from October through May.
- ☀ Summer electricity prices are in effect from June through September.

# EV DEALERSHIP NETWORK



### Find EV Dealers

We work closely with several local auto dealerships that are knowledgeable about electric vehicles and can help you make a smooth transition to electric and charging at home.

Brands: All Brands

Dealers: GS Motors (Pre-Owned)

Zipcode: 55117

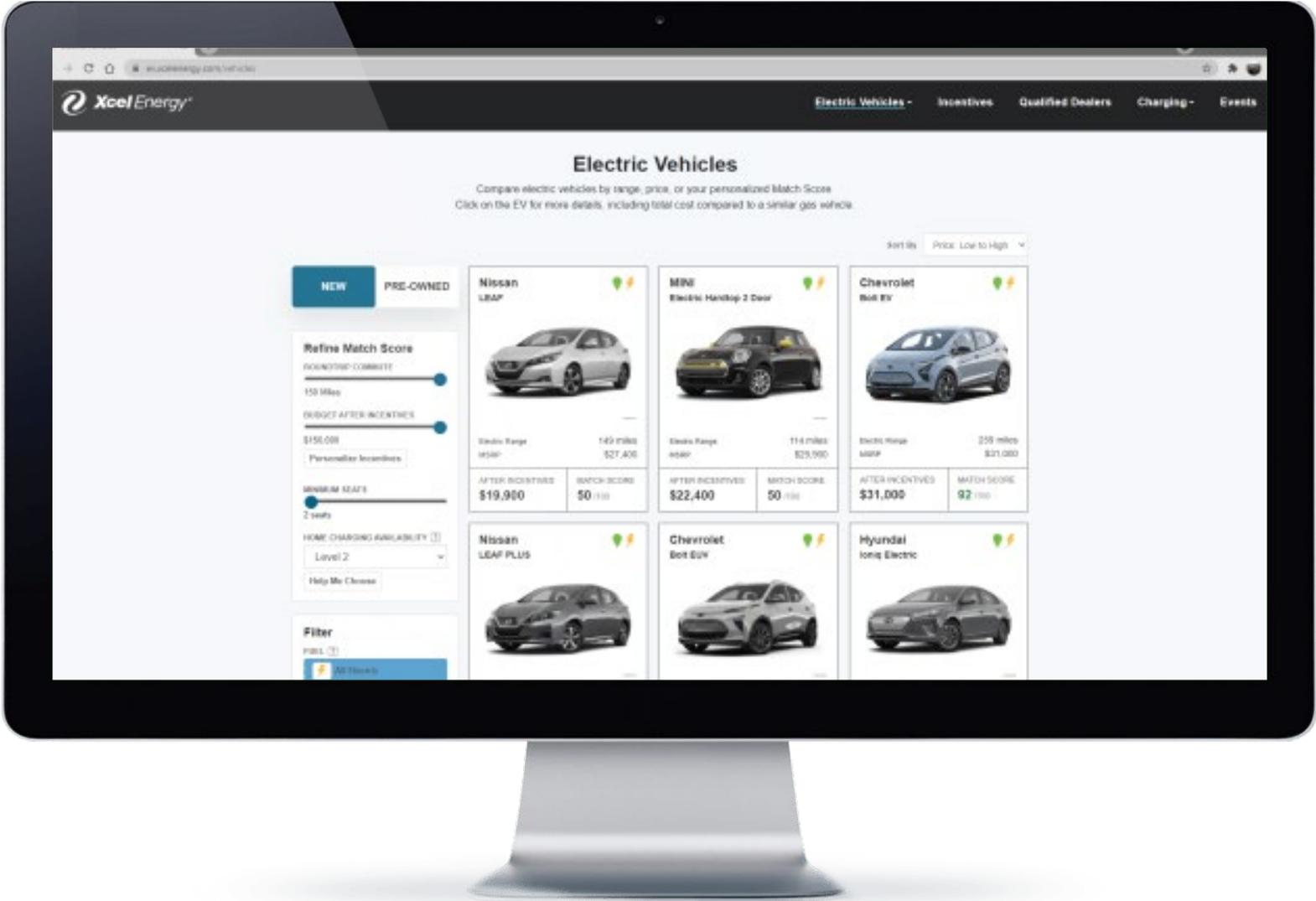
[Search Qualified Dealers](#)

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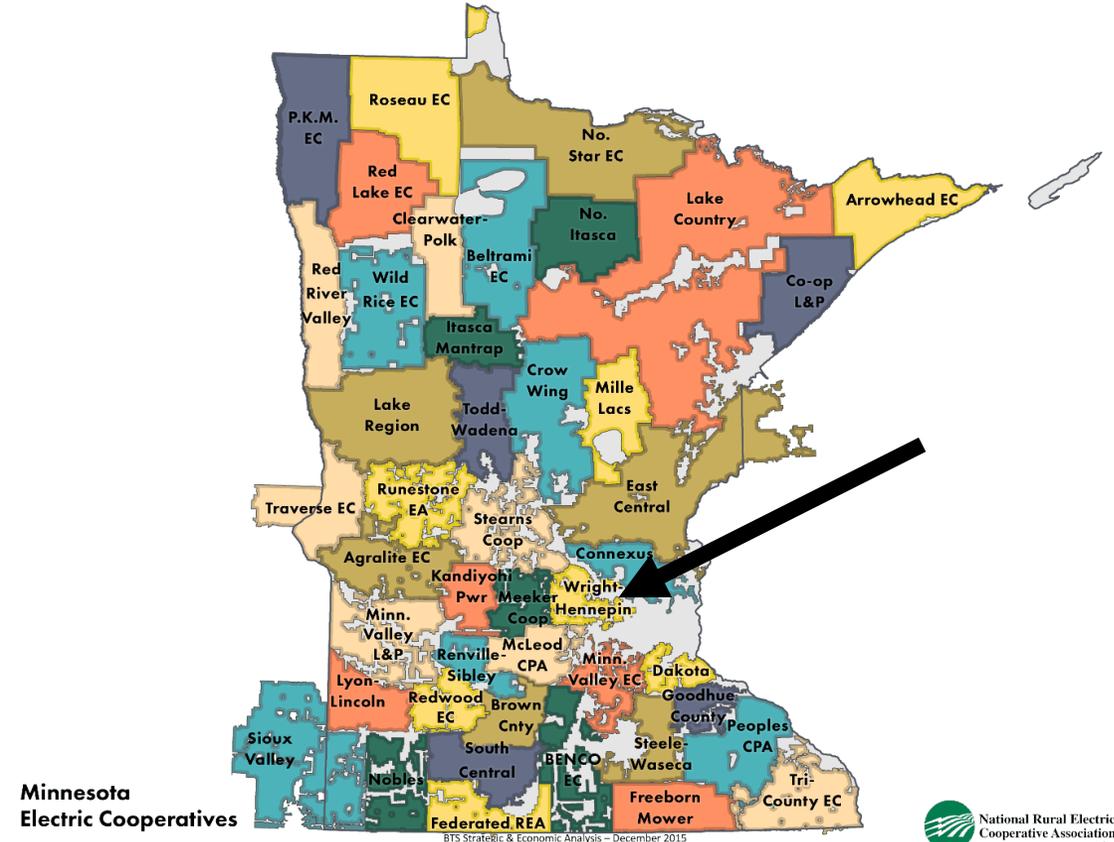


# Plymouth Environmental Academy

## November 16, 2023

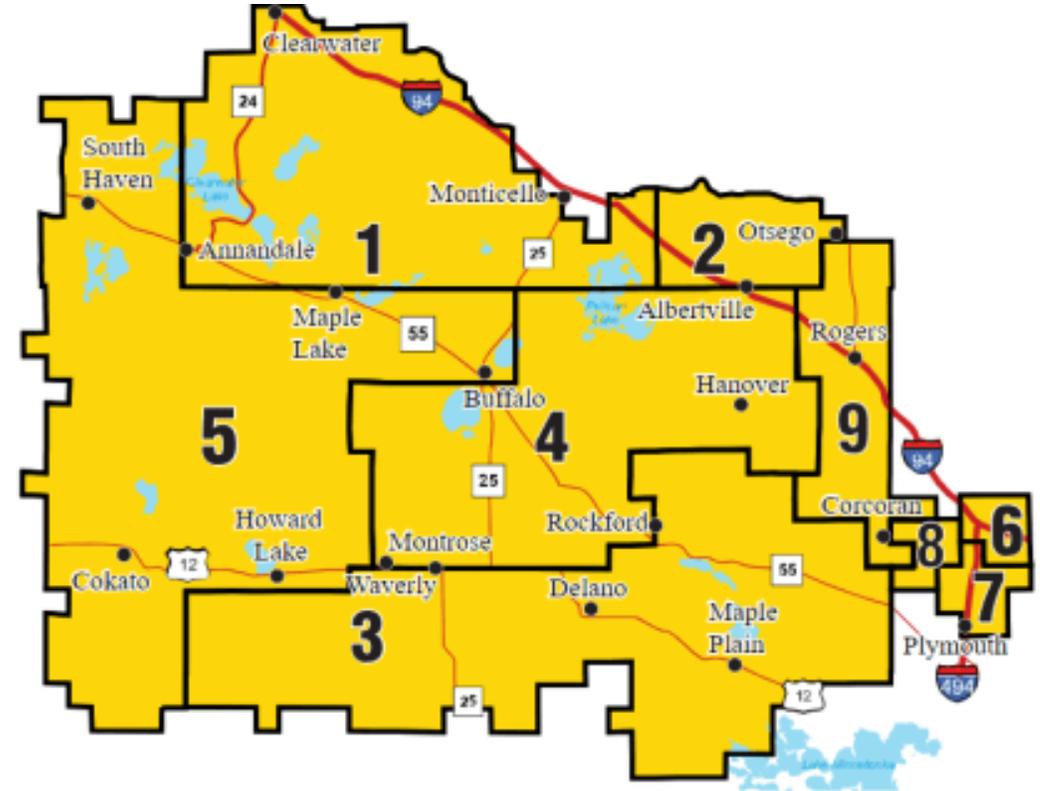
# About Wright-Hennepin

- Fourth largest cooperative in Minnesota
- Provide service to more than 59,000 consumers in northwestern Hennepin and Wright Counties
  - More than 69,000 meters
- 150 Employees
- Headquartered in Rockford, MN
- Over 6300 member households in Plymouth



# Service Area

- Member-owned, not-for-profit
- Nine board districts in rural Wright County and western Hennepin County
- Mission: We deliver the power, products and competitive pricing essential for improving the quality of life of the members and communities we serve



# Power Supply

- Wright-Hennepin (WH) purchases power from three providers:
  - Great River Energy (GRE) – Maple Grove, MN
  - Basin Electric Power Cooperative (Basin) – Bismarck, ND
  - Midcontinent Independent System Operator (MISO) via GRE
- The State of MN has enacted legislation requiring 100% carbon-free electricity by 2040
  - Requires MN utilities to have 55% of their electricity be renewables by 2040
- As a result, MN energy supply will continue to become greener and cleaner
- Both GRE and Basin continue to add renewables to their portfolio



# Learning about EV's

- WH's BEV fleet
  - Tesla Model 3
  - Ford Lightning
- PHEV vehicles
  - Hyundai Santa Fe
  - Mitsubishi Outlander
- Independent EV study of our existing fleet
- Outreach to groups supporting EV adoption



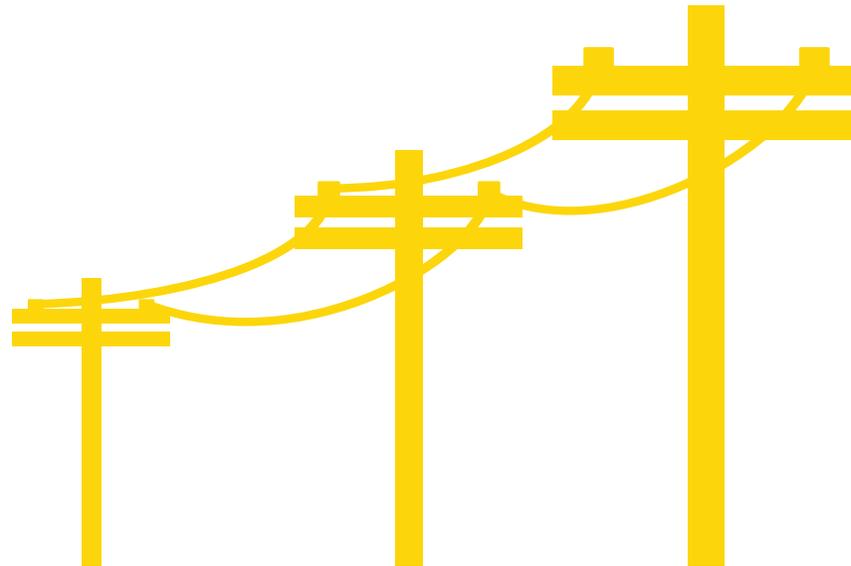
# EV Stats

- There are approximately over 1,150 BEVs on WH's system *Source: Public Utilities Commission*
- WH anticipates a tenfold increase of BEV's in our service area over the next ten years
- WH estimates a single EV increases electric load in a home by 30%



# How do EV's Impact the Grid?

- Electric Power Research Institute (EPRI) estimates 85-90% of charging is done at home (up from 80% last year)
- EVs use a significant amount of energy
- WH encourages EV owners to save on their energy bill by participating in a home charging program
- All utilities have the same message



# EV Myths-Our Experiences

**MYTH: EV's do not have enough range to handle daily travel demands, especially in the cold Minnesota winters.**

*Although some EPA research has found that cold weather could reduce the battery up to 40%, that has not been our experience.*

**MYTH: There is not enough public charging infrastructure.**

*We have found this to be true in some places in greater MN. An EV Owner does need to be more diligent about planning outside of the metro area until more infrastructure is in place. Utilization of public charging apps and large Tesla charging banks at Targets and Hyvees allows for ease in the metro area in finding public charging. We are working closely with MNDOT to monitor the increase of public charging along major MN corridors.*

**MYTH: It is difficult and expensive to get a home charger set up in the home.**

*By utilizing an experienced electrician, it was easy to set up home charging. However, we did find out about the extreme price ranges depending on the set up of the home, from \$400-\$1880. Do your homework!*

# Interesting Info Gathered

- Tesla maintenance easy to schedule-all online
- When seeing the wrap, attracts the public to speak about EV's –gaining perspectives from EV owners
- Auto dealers-some are more knowledgeable than others but it is getting better!
- Helpful to hear from other EV owners (MN EV Owners, MN Tesla Club, etc)
- Employers are starting to see employee charging as a benefit, opportunity to highlight the benefits of providing charging for employees; (\$10 versus \$35 a month)
  - *Remain competitive for top talent-can put in total employee benefit package*
  - *Showcases employer as a sustainability/green energy leader*
  - *Creates loyalty with employee focused benefits*

# WH's Approach to EV's

- WH has an obligation to meet increased demand while providing safe, reliable and affordable electric service to its member-consumers
- With the increase of EV home charging, WH must plan for and support grid improvements and infrastructure needs
- WH wants to ensure that those who choose not to own an EV are not negatively impacted by those who do own an EV
- EVs represent an increase in residential energy usage and if properly managed, they represent our single most powerful new growth engine



# Receive up to \$1,000 in rebates by joining a WH electric vehicle charging program!

## ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING PROGRAMS

## REBATES

# WH EV Charging Programs

	Storage charge program	Time-of-use program	\$35 unlimited charging program
Energy rate	Fixed rate \$.06434 per kWh	Variable - 3 tier* 5:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. \$.2932 per kWh 10:00 p.m. to 5:00 a.m. \$.06434 per kWh 5:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. \$.12428 per kWh	\$35 per month Unlimited charging between 10 p.m. and 5 a.m.** 5:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. \$.12428 per kWh 5:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. \$.2932 per kWh
Subject to Power Cost Adjustment (PCA)	No	No	No
Charge times	11 p.m. - 7 a.m.	24/7	24/7
Rebate	Up to \$1,000	Up to \$1,000	Up to \$1,000

**Rebates available up to \$1,000!**

- \$500 charger rebate on any charging station.
- \$500 additional rebate if a ZEF Energy charging station is purchased.
- In order to receive a rebate, member must participate in an EV charging program.
- See reverse side for the ZEF Energy charging station options.



### ZEF Energy charging station

When you purchase the ZEF Energy Level 2 charging station, which is compatible with all plug-in vehicles, you can sign up for WH's EV Storage Charge, Time-of-Use, or unlimited charging program, and take advantage of rebates.

### Bring your own charging station

If you are purchasing your own wall-mount level 2 charging station, you can choose to participate in any of the three programs. You cannot switch between the programs because the metering equipment required for each is different. The Energy-Saving Program meter and receiver equipment will need to be located outside the home for all options.



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\*Some locations will have a two-tier rate until a new meter is installed. \*\*Excessive use may result in removal from the program. This rate is for one EV only.

# Member Education

- Goal is education!
- Updated website
- Utilize all available communication channels, promoting EVs every month in some way:
  - Print and e-newsletter
  - Website
  - Social Media
  - Events
- Community Outreach
  - How can community leaders help?

### There is an electric vehicle for everybody

Electric vehicles (EV) are no longer just a transportation option for the future. Whether you're a commuter who stays close to home or enjoys taking longer trips, there are options to suit every kind of driver.

Wright-Hennepin (WH) offers two charging program options for any type of plug-in electric vehicle. The EV Storage Charge Program offers an energy rate of \$ 0.06 per kWh during an eight-hour overnight charging period, along with a WH rebate. The EV Time-of-Use Program offers 24/7 charging for a higher energy rate during weekdays and a lower rate for overnight.

In addition, WH has installed two DC fast chargers. One is at our headquarters in Rockford, Minn. and the other at Albertville Premium Outlets. Visit our website at [whe.org](http://whe.org) or call us at (763) 477-3000 to learn more.

#### Weekday commuter



#### Weekend road-tripper



#### Hybrid



If you're a typical commuter who likes to take regular trips but is still wary about making a full switch from gasoline to electric, the 2018 Mitsubishi Outlander PHEV (plug in hybrid electric vehicle), a gas-electric hybrid, may be the best compromise. This vehicle



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WH has programs available to help you save on EV charging!



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### Electric vehicle pilot study underway

Residential Programs and Rebates

Electric Vehicle Rebates

Home Energy Audits

Smart-grid Electric Vehicle Charging

Electric Vehicle/Pilot Study

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# Outreach

- EV Advisory Meeting
- EV Ride and Drive (3<sup>rd</sup> Annual)
- EV 101
- Maple Grove Farmers Market
- Plymouth Farmers Market
- Rotary Clubs and Chambers
- City Leaders and Legislators
- Maple Grove Days, Wright County Fair
  - *Tesla and Lightning on display*



# Summary

- WH is committed to EV adoption
- WH has developed a proactive, comprehensive approach to prepare for EV adoption
- WH will expand our fleet to include more EV options
- WH will continue to:
  - Build partnerships with auto dealers and contractors
  - Evaluate and offer flexible home charging programs
  - Offer support and education to residential and commercial & industrial members
  - Engage with stakeholders and partners to stay up to date on EV issues, trends and current data
  - Educate community leaders on the importance of EV owners partnering with their utility

# Questions?

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# How to Reach Us

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