

FAQ

Multiunit Dwelling Electric Vehicle

Are mobile home parks eligible for funding?

Mobile home parks that meet the criteria for eligible locations (see page 4 of the [program description](#)) are eligible for funding.

Can rental rates be used to meet the affordable criteria for eligibility?

Yes. Refer to Category 2 of the eligible locations (see page 4 of the [program description](#)).

Is equipment related to solar carports eligible?

Solar panels to supply electricity and carport structures to cover the EV charging equipment is not eligible. Infrastructure needed to connect an EV charger to solar electricity supply would be eligible.

Are there maximums for the fees for use of the station?

No. The application includes a section on the proposed fee schedule, and will be one criteria used for competitive scoring of applications. A proposal with a no cost fee schedule (no charges for use of the station) does not rank an application higher. Please see “Fee Schedule” evaluation criteria on page 15 of the [application](#).

Will an applicant know if the county cap has been met before submitting an application?

No. Grants are competitively awarded after the submission deadline. You will be notified as to whether your application was awarded a grant.

Please explain the following requirement, “Employ a competitive process for the solicitation of bids and the selection of contractors for the performance of any grant assisted work”.

Applicants who are awarded funding are expected to use a competitive process when selecting contractors to complete the work. At minimum, this means getting two quotes, and retaining documentation related to your selection process.

The program design says that costs will be reimbursed after the installation is completed and paperwork submitted. Will the applicant need to plan on paying upfront for the entire project before getting reimbursed?

Yes, reimbursement happens after grant closeout, which requires submission of invoices and proof of payment for the project costs.

The program description says the required 10% match can be met through services, such as planning, marketing, and maintenance. Does this mean the amount of invoiced services or wages?

The required 10% match from the applicant is typically a cash match, but can also include labor costs used in conjunction with project implementation. Documentation with the employee name, hours worked on the project, and hourly wage would need to be submitted with closeout.

Are utility incentives in addition to this grant program?

Yes, your project may be eligible for other incentives, including utility incentives. However, the total incentives must not exceed 100% of the total project cost.

Is there a restriction on what manufacturers equipment can be used?

There are no restrictions on manufacturers. Any equipment that meets the equipment specifications called out in the program description are eligible. Please see page 5 of the [program description](#).

The program requirements indicate that the equipment must operate with a maximum of 10% downtime in any 30-day period. Does this mean the applicant has to show the charging stations will be in use 90% of the time?

No. Downtime refers to time when the station is inoperable, for example due to damage or a network error.

Where can I find a contractor to do this work?

Any licensed electrician could be used to do the work. If you have an electrician who's done work at the property before, they could be a good place to start. Efficiency Vermont also has a listing of electricians who are within their network of contractors and are installing charging.

[https://www.efficiencyvermont.com/find-contractor-retailer?provider=contractors&search=electric-vehicle-\(ev\)--or--car-charging-equipment](https://www.efficiencyvermont.com/find-contractor-retailer?provider=contractors&search=electric-vehicle-(ev)--or--car-charging-equipment)

How complex are the annual reports that the applicant will have to submit?

An example of the annual reporting information we would be looking for is in Appendix H of the [application](#).

Will there be other opportunities in the future for this type of grant?

Additional funding for EV charging in multiunit dwellings is possible, but not confirmed. If funding becomes available, the eligibility criteria, requirements, and award process may change.