Clean Vehicle Rebate Project

Overview of EV Incentives





The Clean Vehicle Rebate Project (CVRP), funded by the California Air Resources Board and administered by the Center for Sustainable Energy, provides **rebate checks** for the purchase or lease of a fuel-cell, all-battery or plug-in hybrid electric vehicle. All California residents who meet the eligibility requirements can receive cash back on their electric vehicles by simply applying.

CVRP Application Process

Although CVRP accepts applications up to 3 months after purchase or lease, we encourage applicants to apply upon taking delivery of the vehicle. Supporting documents can be uploaded within 14 days after you have started your application. Rebate checks are mailed throughout the year within 90 days of application approval.

- ∇isit CleanVehicleRebate.org
- Select the purchased or leased vehicle
- Submit the CVRP application online
- Prepare the supporting documents
- Submit supporting documents at CleanVehicleRebate.org/Login²

Be sure to include your correct email address on the application and to put **cvrp@energycenter.org** on your safe senders list. For questions, contact 866-984-2532.

Supporting Documents

- Signed Application Form
- Purchase or Lease Agreement
- Proof of Vehicle Registration
- CA Driver's License
- ▶ IRS Form 4506-T for applicants selected for income verification

Examples at CleanVehicleRebate. org/cvrpSampleDocs

Program Eligibility

For eligible vehicles and current available funds, visit CleanVehicleRebate.org.

- Must be a California resident
- Vehicle must be new at time of lease or purchase
- Vehicle must be owned, operated and registered in California for a minimum of 30 months (original lease term must be at least 30 months)
- One rebate per person, except FCEVs may qualify for third rebate
- 1 Delays beyond normal processing times may occur.
- 2 For alternate submittal options see CleanVehicleRebate.org/faqs.

Rebate Amounts

- \$4,500 for fuel-cell EVs (FCEVs)
- \$2,000 for all-battery EVs (BEVs)
- \$1,000 for plug-in hybrid EVs (PHEVs)

Increased Rebate

Consumers with household incomes less than or equal to 300 percent of the federal poverty level are eligible for an increased rebate amount of an additional \$2,500. Increased rebate amounts are available for fuel-cell electric vehicles, battery electric vehicles, and plug-in hybrid vehicles.

- \$7,000 for FCEVs
- \$4,500 for BEVs
- \$3,500 for PHEVs

For more information visit CleanVehicleRebate.org/incomeeligibility.

Income Eligibility

Consumers **are ineligible** for a rebate if their gross annual income exceeds the following thresholds. The caps **do not apply** to FCEVs.

- \$150,000 for single filers
- \$204,000 for head-of-household filers
- \$300,000 for joint filers



Other Incentives Available

Electric vehicles (EVs) also are eligible for a range of regional and utility incentives, tax credits, HOV lane access and reduced electricity rates.

Federal Income Tax Credit

This tax credit varies based on a vehicle's battery size and your ability to use the tax benefit. Tax credits are up to \$7,500 for BEVs and \$2,500-\$7,500 for PHEVs. Note that when a manufacturer exceeds 200,000 qualifying vehicles, the available tax credit decreases until it phases out.

To confirm eligibility, consult a tax professional. For complete information on federal income tax credits, visit **FuelEconomy.gov** and click on "Save Money & Fuel."

Regional and Air District Incentives

There are other regional and air district incentives for electric vehicles and/or charging infrastructure. Check the resources below for additional rebates and other incentives and discounts.

CleanVehicleRebate.org/ev/incentives use the Savings Calculator

Utility Incentive Programs

Many California utilities have incentive programs for customers in their service territory, such as vehicle and charging station rebates and special rate plans for EV charging. Visit your utility's website to learn more.

HOV Lane Access

HOV (high-occupancy vehicle) lane access allows single-occupant EV drivers to use carpool lanes. It also offers access to express lanes and FasTrak facilities and discounts on many toll roads and bridges. For complete terms and conditions, check with local agencies. Clean Air Vehicle Decals are available for most electric vehicles via mail from the Department of Motor Vehicles.

As of January 1, 2018, consumers with incomes exceeding income eligibility caps who purchase or lease a fuel-cell electric vehicle have the option to choose either a Clean Air Vehicle Decal³ or a CVRP rebate, but not both.

In the future, the DMV will issue different color decals each year that will be valid for a maximum of four years. All decals expire on January 1, four years after the first year they were issued.

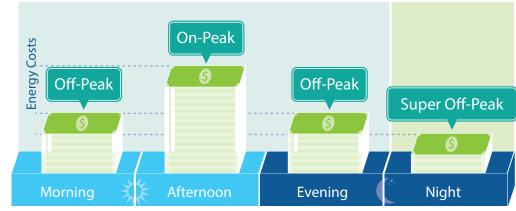


Orange Clean Air Vehicle Decals

- For eligible BEVs, FCEVs, PHEVs, LPGs and CNGs
- ▶ **HOV lane access** through January 1, 2024

Time-of-Use Electricity Rates

Depending on your residential electricity consumption, a significant benefit of EV ownership is access to reduced energy rates from your electricity utility. Most utilities offer time-of-use (TOU) rates that greatly reduce costs associated with charging a vehicle at home by charging during off-peak hours. Contact your utility to find out more.⁴



This chart is an example. TOU rates and times will vary by utility.







- $3\ \ \text{More information on Clean Air Vehicle Decals is at } \ \textbf{https://www.dmv.ca.gov/portal/dmv/detail/vr/decal}$
- $4\ \ \text{A list of utility providers is at} \ \textbf{energy.ca.gov/almanac/electricity_data/utilities.html}$

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