



## CONTACTS DIRECTORY FOR SCHOOL DISTRICTS

### U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)

The EPA **Clean Heavy Duty Vehicles Program (CHDVP)** is now open! Public school districts and other eligible applicants can apply for approximately \$650 million in grants to replace aging diesel vehicles with new electric school buses. Grant proposals are due on July 25, 2024

[CHDVP Webpage](#)

[Applications now open!](#)

Sign up for the [CHDVP newsletter](#)

Email questions or feedback to [cleanhdvehicles@epa.gov](mailto:cleanhdvehicles@epa.gov)

The EPA **Clean School Bus Program (CSBP)** helps school districts and other eligible recipients replace diesel buses with cleaner alternatives, including electric school buses that produce zero tailpipe emission. School districts serving low-income, rural and Tribal communities will be prioritized for funding. Applications are not currently available, but will open in late summer or fall.

[EPA Clean School Bus Program Website](#)

Sign up for the [EPA Clean School Bus Program newsletter](#)

Email questions or feedback to [cleanschoolbus@epa.gov](mailto:cleanschoolbus@epa.gov)

2023 CSBP Rebates Information:

- [Rebates Webpage](#)
- [2023 Rebate Awards](#)

2023 CSBP Grants Information:

- [Grants Webpage](#)
- [2023 Grant Awards](#)

2022 CSBP Rebates Information:

- [Rebates Webpage](#)
- [2022 Awarded Rebates](#)

Additional Resources:

- [Benefits of Clean Buses](#)
- [Clean School Bus Technical Assistance](#)
- [Charging and Fueling Infrastructure Resources](#)
- [Upcoming & Past Webinars](#)

### U.S. Department of Energy (DOE)

#### Clean Cities Coalitions

Clean Cities Coalitions can provide technical assistance and local support to school districts looking to deploy electric school buses. There are more than 75 coalitions throughout the country and include businesses, fuel providers, vehicle fleets, state and local government agencies, and



community organizations. Each coalition is led by a Clean Cities coalition director who tailors projects and activities to capitalize on the unique opportunities within their communities.

- [Clean Cities Coalition Network Website](#)
- [About the Clean Cities Coalition](#)
- [Clean Cities Coalition Locations](#)
- [Clean Cities Regional Contacts](#)

### **Alternative Fuels Data Center (AFDC)**

The Alternative Fuels Data Center provides information, data, and tools to help fleets and other transportation decision makers find ways to reach their energy and economic goals through the use of alternative and renewable fuels, advanced vehicles, and other fuel-saving measures. AFDC has created a series of educational webinars and handouts, [Flipping the Switch on Electric School Buses](#), to provide information about the benefits of electric school buses and examples of their use.

Email the Technical Response Service at [technicalresponse@icf.com](mailto:technicalresponse@icf.com) or call 800-254-6735.

- [Electric School Bus Introduction](#)
- [Working with Electric Utilities](#)
- [Vehicle Requirements](#)
- [Charging Infrastructure](#)
- [Infrastructure Planning and Solutions](#)
- [Vehicle In Use Performance](#)
- [Driver and Technician Training](#)
- [Cost Factors](#)
- [More Resources](#)

### **U.S. Joint Office of Transportation and Energy (Joint Office)**

The Joint Office of Energy and Transportation (Joint Office) offers **Technical Assistance** to school districts on electric bus basics, charging equipment, utility connections, bus performance, and operations like routing and maintenance. This technical assistance provides school districts with the knowledge, tools, and information needed to successfully plan for and deploy clean school buses.

Submit questions or feedback to [CleanSchoolBusTA@nrel.gov](mailto:CleanSchoolBusTA@nrel.gov)

- [Technical Assistance and Resources for School Districts](#)
- [Request Clean School Bus Technical Assistance](#)
- [Electric School Bus Charging Station Planning Form](#)

### **Clean Bus Planning Awards**

In early 2024, the Joint Office also launched the Clean Bus Planning Awards to provide free technical assistance for comprehensive and customized fleet electrification plans. The program is funded by the Joint Office and managed by the National Renewable Energy Laboratory (NREL). Fleets eligible



for the EPA Clean School Bus Program (CSBP) are able to apply; applications are accepted on a rolling basis. Priority school districts under the CSBP, fleets operated by Tribal entities and fleets operating in a disadvantaged community (as defined by the Climate and Economic Justice Screening Tool) are encouraged to apply.

Submit questions or feedback to [cbpa@nrel.gov](mailto:cbpa@nrel.gov).

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## **U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA)**

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) is announcing its full commitment to use its array of rural development loan and grant programs to support electric school bus acquisition and charging station infrastructure in rural school districts – to accelerate the shift from dirty fuel sources toward school vehicles powered by clean electricity.

### [How USDA Rural Development Supports Climate Smart Solutions for Schools](#)

- Certain [Community Facilities Programs](#) can finance school construction and rehabilitation, as well as fund the acquisition of electric school buses and other service vehicles. Community Facilities funding can also support charging infrastructure owned by a school district, nonprofit or government agency.

## **World Resources Institute**

In collaboration with partners and communities, WRI's **Electric School Bus Initiative (ESBI)** aims to build unstoppable momentum toward an equitable transition of the entire U.S. school bus fleet to electric by 2030, bringing health, climate and economic benefits to children and families across the country and normalizing electric mobility for an entire generation. WRI is supporting school districts in accelerating the equitable transition to electric school buses.

### [Electric School Bus Initiative Website](#)

### **Get Help:**

[Technical Assistance Menu](#)  
[Inquiry Form - Request Free Technical Assistance](#)  
[Talk with an Expert: Sign Up for Individual Office Hours](#)  
[Peer-to-Peer Support: Sign Up for Group Office Hours](#)

### Resources:

- [The Transition to Electric School Buses Must Center Equity. Here's Why.](#)
- [How to Apply for Clean School Bus Program Funding](#)
- [Step-by-Step Guide for School Bus Electrification](#)



- [School Bus Electrification Template Roadmap](#)
- [12 Tips on Electric School Bus Adoption](#)
- [All About Total Cost of Ownership \(TCO\) for Electric School Buses](#)
- [Total Cost of Ownership Calculator for Electric School Buses](#)
- [All About Types of Electric School Buses](#)
- [All About Charging Infrastructure](#)
- [All About Working with Your Electric Utility](#)
- [All About Electric School Bus Business Models](#)
- [Clearinghouse: Electric School Bus Funding and Financing Opportunities](#)
- [Request for Proposal \(RFP\) Template](#)

## VEIC

VEIC is a nonprofit organization with a mission to reduce the economic and environmental costs of energy use. VEIC has delivered consultancy services in 18 states and 6 foreign countries. VEIC is helping schools across the country make the switch to electric transportation through analyzing school bus fleets and routes, charging infrastructure, and managed charging options to ensure operational reliability, savings, and grid resiliency.

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### Electric School Bus Resources:

- [The Case for Electric School Buses](#)
- [Comparing ESB Models Available for Purchase](#)
- [Understanding Your ESB Utility Bill](#)
- [ESB Charging Equipment Installation Guide](#)
- [ESB Funding Strategy: Partnerships](#)
- [Electric vs. Diesel vs. Propane School Buses](#)
- [ESB Planning and Lessons Learned Webinar](#)
- [What if you could reduce costs and increase reliability through electric school buses?](#)

## CALSTART

CALSTART advances the clean transportation market in key industry sectors, providing services in technology development and demonstration, assessment and validation, and market acceleration, as well as advancing policies that support industry growth. Through national and regional working groups, CALSTART is working with school districts to assist them with planning, purchasing and demonstrating advanced charging solutions.

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### Buses Initiatives

Join the [National Electric School Bus Network](#)

#### Resources:

- [Zeroing in on Electric School Buses: 2023](#)
- [The Electrification of School Buses: Assessing Technology, Market, and Manufacturing Readiness](#)
- [7-Step Checklist for School Districts to Transition to ESBs](#)
- [ESB Demonstration Case Studies](#)

## Center for Transportation and the Environment

The Center for Transportation and the Environment (CTE) is a member-supported 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization that develops, promotes, and implements advanced transportation technologies, vehicles, and fuels that reduce environmental pollution and fossil fuel dependency. CTE has experience with more than 100 zero-emission transit and school bus deployments to date. CTE is offering grant writing support and technical consulting for school districts and school bus operators.

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#### Resources:

- [CTE Services One-Pager](#)
- [Electric School Bus Webinar Series](#)
- [Electric School Bus Analysis Reveals Four Key Lessons for Electrification](#)
- [Lowest Cost to Charge Blueprint Report](#)