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Project Overview

EVSE Barriers Addressed

- Availability of EV charging infrastructure.
- Consumer reluctance to purchase electric vehicles.
- U.S. dependence on petroleum

Budget

- Total project funding: \$10,455,288
 - DOE: \$5,222,326
 - Collaborative: \$5,232,962
- Funding FY22: \$4,830,974
- Percent Spent: 2%

Timeline

- Start: March 1, 2022
- End: May 31, 2025
- Percent Complete: 2%

Partners

- Metropolitan Energy Center (lead)
- Kansas City MO Aviation Dept
- City of Osawatomie, KS
- City of Lee's Summit, MO
- Johnson County Community College
- Hirschbach
- Lazer Logistics

Project Objectives

Objectives:

- Substantially increase access to electric vehicles (EVs) and fueling in underserved markets in Kansas and Missouri, with attention to multi-family dwellers and curbside
- Offer consumers and businesses additional transportation choices
- Enable commercialization of affordable, energyefficient transportation technologies

Tech Integration Goals:

- National Security
 - Increases local fuel diversification
- Affordability for business/consumers
 - Saves money by utilizing existing infrastructure

Barriers Addressed:

- EVSE accessibility
- Consumer reluctance to adopt EV technology
- U.S. dependence on petroleum

Approach

Deployments of heavy-duty electric vehicles in environmental justice areas by entities contributing cost-share overmatch

Community engagement and site selection led by community-based organizations in underserved areas

Install EVSE infrastructure at identified locations through small grants with reduced cost-share

Use data collected and lessons learned to create a strategic plan for other cities looking to deploy EVSE with a community-led process in underserved areas.

Approach

Budget Period 1 – Early Deployments and Community Engagement Launch

- Prepare Community
 Outreach and Engagement
- Vehicle Procurement and Deployment
- Infrastructure Development
- Outreach to Divested Communities

Go/No Go: Community
Engagement Plan Executed

Budget Period 2 – Deployment and Educational Outreach

- Small Grants to Divested Communities
- Draft Best Practices and Planning Guide
- Execute Communications
 Plan
- Vehicle Procurement and Deployment
- Infrastructure Development

Go/No Go: Peer and Industry Workshops Completed

Budget Period 3 – Final Deployments, Analysis, and Recording Best Practices

- Data Management and Analysis
- Deployments Continue
- Publish Planning Guide and Success Stories

Milestones

Critical Milestones	Status
Early Deployments & Community Engagement Launch (Budget Period 1)	
≥30% of planned workshops complete	Complete
≥2 vendors selected for community engagement	In Progress
≥50% of planned media packets have been prepared	In Progress
EVSE contractors selected on ≥25% of the planned subrecipient projects	Complete
At least 1 meeting held with ≥2 vendors selected for community engagement	In Progress
Deployment & Educational Outreach (Budget Period 2)	
EVSE contractors selected on ≥70% of the planned subrecipient projects	Not Started
≥40% of vehicles purchased and in service	Not Started
Small grants complete for ≥2 target divested communities	Not Started
Public EVSE Best Practices document drafted	Not Started
≥80% of planned workshops have been completed	Not Started
Complete Deployments, Analysis, Record Best Practices (Budget Period 3)	
100% EV workshops complete	Not Started
100% complete infrastructure	Not Started
100% vehicles purchased and in service	Not Started
All data is archived in a way can be publicly accessible, according to the DMP.	Not Started

Project Accomplishments and Progress

Prepare Community Education and Engagement

- Create project communications plan
- Initiate community events
- Contract with communitybased organizations

EVSE Barriers Addressed

Availability of EV charging infrastructure.

Premise: Using community knowledge based on lived experiences to plan infrastructure locations uses invaluable insights to build out EVSE networks in underserved areas to best serve locals.

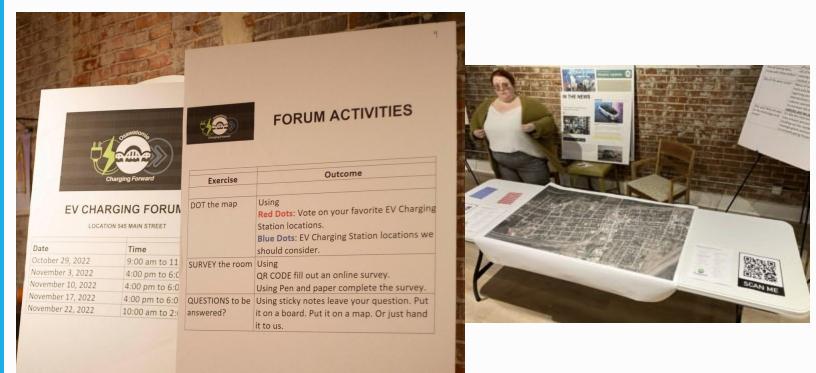
Community Events

Osawatomie, KS:

- Ribbon Cutting Ceremony
- Poster Contest
- Public Forums (5)



Left to right: City Manager, Mayor, and Project PI



Project Accomplishments and Progress

Procure and Deploy Vehicles

 Deploy heavy-duty zeroemission vehicles to improve air quality in underserved and overburdened areas.

EV Barriers Addressed

 Availability of EVs in underserved and overburdened areas

Premise: Deploying heavy-duty vehicles in partnership with entities contributing cost-share overmatch allows reduced cost-sharing requirements that would otherwise be a barrier for smaller entities.

EV Terminal Tractor Deployment

Hirschbach:

 Deployments underway in Edwardsville, KS



Collaborations and Coordination

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Community Outreach:

- City of Osawatomie
- 2 TBD Community-Based Organizations in Underserved Communities

Market Impact and Sustainability

- Deploying EVs in municipal fleet applications demonstrates to community members and City employees the capability of EVs
- Placement of charging stations in underserved communities by providing access to small grants at reduced cost-share rates will spur adoption of EVs in these markets
- Meaningful community involvement in EVSE site selection will contribute to ensuring the community's continued support for EVSE after project completion

Contribution to Energy Equity and Environmental Justice

- Ensures meaningful involvement of all people through public forums, listening sessions, and community outreach and engagement as part of the site selection process
- Deploying heavy-duty vehicles in underserved and overburdened areas offers the greatest potential emissions reduction in areas that need it most
- Allocating funding to subrecipients with differing amounts and cost-share requirements based on the capacity and need of the entity provides equitable access to grant funding

Overall Impact

Past Accomplishments

- Held 6 community events to inform the community and incorporate feedback
- Deployed EV terminal tractors in 3 locations to reduce air emissions in overburdened and underserved communities

Future Plans

- Engage community residents and incorporate feedback into site selection
- Deploy vehicles to reduce air pollution
- Issue small grants to divested communities
- Deploy EVSE in selected locations
- Monitor and collect data on deployed vehicles and chargers

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Accomplishments

- Held community events to inform charging station locations in underserved communities
- Deployed zero-emission heavy-duty vehicles in underserved and overburdened communities

https://metroenergy.org/programs/current-projects/evs-in-underserved-markets/