**Electric Trucks Incentive Pilot Program (Electric Trucks Pilot)**

**Press Release**  
  
**City of Seattle Announces New Pilot Program to Incentivize Heavy Duty Truck Electrification**

*Inviting drivers in the Duwamish Valley to apply for a 40% discount to purchase an electric truck.*

Mayor Bruce Harrell and the City of Seattle’s Office of Sustainability & Environment (OSE) today announced a new [Electric Trucks Pilot](https://www.seattle.gov/environment/climate-change/transportation-/transportation-electrification/heavy-duty-truck-electrification) aimed at supporting local truck drivers’ transition to electric freight vehicles and improving air quality in communities of the Duwamish Valley where heavy freight activity is one of the largest contributors to air pollution.

The program offers a rebate for new electric trucks and covers 40% of the cost to eligible drivers and owners (up to $180,000 per truck) operating in the Duwamish Valley. The program plans to fund a total of $1.7 million in electric vehicle incentives.

“Seattle is proud of our roots and our future as a port city – with new jobs, housing, and thriving [industrial and maritime lands](https://harrell.seattle.gov/2023/07/25/mayor-harrell-signs-legislation-to-strengthen-protections-for-maritime-and-industrial-lands-creating-new-housing-and-job-opportunities/) – but we also know that its neighbors who bear the brunt of the diesel pollution that comes from heavy-duty trucks moving goods throughout the Duwamish Valley,” **said Mayor Bruce Harrell.** “Reducing diesel emissions is a top priority of our [***One Seattle*** Climate Justice Agenda](https://www.seattle.gov/mayor/one-seattle-initiatives/climate-agenda) because it means tangible impacts, recognizing the disproportionate impact of diesel pollution on health, particularly in areas most affected by the impacts of climate change, while ensuring we support workers in the transition from fossil fuels. Together, we are supporting workers and our economy, health and climate justice, and a more sustainable future.”

Transportation is responsible for 61% of the City’s greenhouse gas emissions, with approximately 9% coming from freight. Seattle aims to achieve 30% zero-emission goods delivery by 2030, in line with the City’s [Transportation Electrification Blueprint](https://www.seattle.gov/environment/transportation-electrification-blueprint). The [Electric Trucks Pilot](https://www.seattle.gov/environment/climate-change/transportation-/transportation-electrification/heavy-duty-truck-electrification) program is a step towards this goal and the City's commitment to becoming carbon neutral by 2050.

“There are 4,000 trucks serving the Port of Seattle, and right now all of them are running on high-polluting diesel engines,” said **Jessyn Farrell**, **Director of the Office of Sustainability & Environment.** “Through the Electric Trucks Pilot, we aim to support drivers in bringing the first electric trucks in the City by 2024, while working in partnership with State and Federal governments to further bring down the cost of zero-emissions vehicles and creating the needed infrastructure to support them.”

**Drivers and Fleet operators will have until October 16 to fill out an application to participate in the incentive pilot**. Participants will be notified of their selection in early 2024. The City encourages women- and minority-owned businesses and drivers, as well as those who operate primarily in the Duwamish Valley, to apply. For more information about the program and how to apply, applicants may use the following materials:

* [Two-Page Program and Application Overview](https://www.seattle.gov/documents/Departments/OSE/ClimateChange/TE/Two-Pager_HeavyDutyVehicleIncentivePilot.pdf)
* [Detailed Program Eligibility and Application Guide](https://www.seattle.gov/documents/Departments/OSE/ClimateChange/TE/Two-Pager_HeavyDutyVehicleIncentivePilot.pdf%22HYPERLINK%20%22https://www.seattle.gov/documents/Departments/OSE/ClimateChange/TE/Program%20Guide_HeavyDutyVehicleIncentivePilot.pdf)
* [Applicant Interest Form](https://www.seattle.gov/documents/Departments/OSE/ClimateChange/TE/Program%20Guide_HeavyDutyVehicleIncentivePilot.pdf%22%EF%BF%BDHYPERLINK%20%22https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=RR7meOtrCUCPmTWdi1T0G02oWweh_Z1JiaaRZIAdQKtUM0laSE0zRU9TMVlUNkxBRzNHMk9BU1VZOC4u&wdLOR=cC6C3BB08-7B10-4671-BAC5-FB6782277608)
* [Online Application](https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=RR7meOtrCUCPmTWdi1T0G02oWweh_Z1JiaaRZIAdQKtUNzlSOFRLR1dXMkNPV084MU0xQThDV0lPUi4u)

The Pilot program was developed at the recommendation of the Green New Deal Oversight Board and in partnership with organizations like the International Council on Clean Transportation (ICCT), Seattle City Light, Duwamish River Clean Up Coalition (DRCC), Seattle Department of Transportation, and the African Chamber of Commerce of the Pacific Northwest (ACCPNW), Port of Seattle and the Northwest Seaport Alliance.