



MCE 2026-04 Call for Projects

CHARGED BY PUBLIC POWER

EV Charging Site Host

Federal Subaward Funding Opportunity

Release Date	Wednesday, August 5, 2026
Questions	Due Friday, August 17, 2026 by 5:00 PM PST Email questions to: contracts@mcecleanenergy.org
Application Deadline	Friday, September 4, 2026, 5:00 PM PST
Submission Method	Upload applications here: https://mea.egnyte.com/ul/g37rwtkih0



Application Package

This EV Charging Site Host Call for Projects (Call for Projects) is the governing document for this funding opportunity. Applicants must submit a separate application package for each proposed installation address. Each application package must include:

- A completed and signed EV Charging Project Application (see Exhibit A);
- Written property-owner or authorized property-manager confirmation when the applicant does not own the proposed site; and
- Any available quotes, estimates, site evaluations, conceptual designs, utility correspondence, or equipment information.

Supporting technical and cost documents are encouraged when available but are not required to be final at the time of application. If conditionally selected, the applicant will be required to further develop the project and provide the additional information described in Section 7.

This Call for Projects and the EV Charging Project Application should be read together. If there is a conflict, this Call for Projects controls unless modified by a written amendment issued by MCE and posted on MCE's website.

Funding Opportunity at a Glance

Total funding available	\$744,800
Maximum award	\$249,999 per applicant across all approved sites
Award type	Federal subaward; not a standard customer rebate
Payment method	Reimbursement of approved, allowable, and documented costs; alternative payment arrangements may be available for eligible applicants
Eligible geography	Nine priority communities and qualifying priority-population areas (identified in Section 1.4, below)
Public access	Required at least during the site host's regular operating hours
Operating commitment	At least five years after the chargers become operational
Project completion deadline	Chargers operational no later than December 1, 2027
Applications	Separate application required for each installation address
Important: MCE may award less than the amount requested, may fund only part of a proposed project, and may decline to make any award. Applicants should not incur costs or begin project work in reliance on a potential award.	



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1. PROGRAM OVERVIEW

1.1 Purpose

Through this Call for Projects, MCE seeks applications from eligible entities to develop publicly accessible electric vehicle (EV) charging stations at community-serving locations and to ensure that funded chargers are installed, operated, and maintained in accordance with program requirements.

1.2 Program Description

The goal of the Charged by Public Power program is to increase access to convenient EV charging for community members at essential and community-serving locations in historically under-resourced communities across MCE's service area.

The program is supported by federal financial assistance provided through the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy under the Vehicle Technologies Office. MCE will use this funding to help offset eligible costs for purchasing and installing new charging equipment for light-duty vehicles and to identify practices that support equitable and effective EV infrastructure investment.

1.3 Application and Award Process

MCE will use a three-stage process to select and develop projects under this Call for Projects.

Stage 1: Application and Evaluation

Applicants will submit a concept-level application for a specific proposed project site. The application must describe the proposed project, community benefit, public-access arrangement, preliminary charging configuration, estimated budget, anticipated schedule, and current level of project readiness.

Applicants are not required to complete final engineering, permitting, procurement, vendor selection, or equipment selection before applying. Instead, these supporting materials should be submitted as soon as they are available.

MCE will review applications for threshold eligibility and score eligible applications in accordance with Section 6.



Stage 2: Conditional Selection, Project Development, and Pre-Award Review

Applicants whose projects are selected for further consideration will receive a conditional selection notice. Conditional selection is not a final award and does not authorize the applicant to begin work or incur reimbursable costs.

Conditionally selected applicants will generally have 60 calendar days, or another period established by MCE, to further develop the project and submit the technical, financial, equipment, procurement-planning, site, environmental, and organizational information required by MCE.

During this stage, MCE will review information as it is submitted; conduct its technical, financial, federal compliance, and subrecipient pre-award reviews; and initiate and coordinate applicable environmental and historic-preservation reviews with DOE.

Stage 3: Final Award and Authorization to Proceed

Following successful completion of Stage 2, MCE may approve the final project and enter into a written subaward agreement with the applicant.

A final award is not effective until the subaward agreement is executed. Applicants must not begin reimbursable work, purchase charging equipment, or make binding project commitments until MCE provides written authorization to proceed.

MCE may modify or withdraw a conditional selection if the project is determined to be infeasible or ineligible, project costs are not reasonable, applicable federal requirements cannot be satisfied, or the applicant does not provide the required information within the established timeframe.

Stage	Applicant Action	MCE Action
Stage 1: Application and Evaluation	Submit concept-level application and preliminary budget	Review eligibility, evaluate applications, and identify projects for conditional selection
Stage 2: Conditional Selection and Project Development	Develop the detailed project and complete pre-award requirements	Review the project, costs, equipment, procurement approach, compliance, and applicant capacity
Stage 3: Final Award and Authorization	Execute the subaward and satisfy final conditions	Approve the final project and issue written authorization to proceed



1.4 Priority Communities

Projects must be located in one of the following priority communities and within an eligible state-designated priority-population area as defined by the [California Climate Investments Priority Populations map](#):

Concord	Fairfield	Napa
Pittsburg	Richmond	San Pablo
San Rafael	Unincorporated Contra Costa County	Vallejo

Applicants are responsible for confirming that the proposed site is within an eligible priority-population area using the mapping resource identified above and in the application instructions. MCE will verify geographic eligibility during application review.

1.5 Key Dates and Submission Information

Applications received by the Stage 1 application deadline will be reviewed together as part of a competitive selection process. MCE may reopen the Call for Projects, extend the deadline, or conduct an additional application round if funding remains available.

Milestone	Date or Timeframe
Call for Projects release date	August 5, 2026
Deadline for applicant questions	August 17, 2026, 5:00 PM PT
MCE responses to applicant questions	August 21, 2026, 5:00PM PT
Stage 1 application deadline	September 4, 2026, 5:00 PM PT
Anticipated conditional-selection notices	September 18, 2026
Stage 2 applicant project development and submission period	November 18, 2026
Anticipated final awards*	December 1, 2026
Required project completion and operational date	December 1, 2027

*Subject to MCE and DOE approval

2. FUNDING AND AWARD STRUCTURE

2.1 Available Funding and Maximum Award

MCE has approximately \$744,800 available for this funding opportunity. The maximum aggregate amount that may be awarded to a single applicant is \$249,999, regardless of the number of project sites proposed or approved.



Applicants must submit a separate application package for each proposed installation address. However, the total funding awarded to the same legal entity across all approved sites may not exceed \$249,999.

MCE may approve an amount lower than requested, approve only certain project components, establish project-specific conditions, and distribute funds across communities and project types to support program objectives.

2.2 Federal Subaward

Funding will be provided through a federal subaward rather than a standard rebate. A selected applicant will become a subrecipient of MCE and must execute a written subaward agreement that is consistent with DOE terms and conditions before funded work begins.

Because this funding will be provided through a federal subaward, selected applicants must comply with all applicable requirements of 2 CFR Part 200, the DOE award terms and conditions, and the MCE subaward agreement that is consistent with DOE terms and conditions. These requirements include, as applicable, financial management and internal controls, procurement, cost allowability and documentation, property and equipment management, record retention and access, reporting, monitoring, audit, and closeout requirements.

The subaward agreement will establish the controlling requirements for the project, including approved scope, budget, schedule, reimbursement, reporting, procurement, equipment management, monitoring, records, closeout, and applicable federal requirements.

2.3 Reimbursement and Applicant Financial Responsibility

- Funding will generally be paid as reimbursement after the subrecipient incurs and pays an approved project cost and submits acceptable supporting documentation.
- At the time of application, the applicant must indicate whether it can pay project costs before reimbursement or whether it expects to request an alternative payment arrangement.
- Approval of an alternative payment arrangement is not guaranteed and will be determined during Stage 2 based on the applicant's financial capacity, project needs, internal controls, and ability to provide supporting documentation.
- The applicant is responsible for costs exceeding the approved award, cost overruns, and costs determined to be ineligible, unallowable, unsupported, or outside the approved scope.

2.4 Project Period and Authorization to Proceed

All funded chargers must be installed, commissioned, and operational no later than December 1, 2027, unless MCE establishes an alternative project-specific deadline in the subaward agreement.

Conditional selection does not authorize an applicant to begin project work or incur reimbursable costs. Except for specific non-construction project-development costs that MCE expressly authorizes in writing before they are incurred, applicants must not begin reimbursable work, purchase or order charging equipment or other major installed products, begin construction or installation, or make binding project commitments until:

- 1. MCE completes the required project and pre-award reviews;**
- 2. The applicant and MCE execute a subaward agreement that is consistent with DOE terms and conditions; and**
- 3. MCE provides written authorization to proceed.**

Site-disturbing work, construction, excavation, equipment installation, and other irreversible activities may not begin until required environmental, historic-preservation, permitting, and other preconstruction reviews are complete.

3. Applicant, Site, and Project Eligibility

3.1 Eligible Applicants

Eligible applicants may include local governments, public agencies, nonprofit organizations, faith-based organizations, educational institutions, healthcare organizations, multifamily property owners or operators, community-serving businesses, and other entities capable of entering into and administering a federal subaward.

An applicant may propose:

- 1. A project located at a property the applicant owns, leases, operates, or otherwise controls; or**
- 2. A project located at a property owned or operated by a participating third-party property owner or site host.**

The applicant selected for funding will enter into a subaward agreement with MCE and will remain responsible for the approved project, including project administration, financial management, procurement, reporting, monitoring, compliance, and ensuring an acceptable ownership or site-control arrangement for the required operating period.

At Stage 1, an applicant proposing a project at a property it does not own must provide written confirmation that the property owner or authorized property manager is aware of the proposed project and is willing to participate in further project development.

During Stage 2, an applicant that does not own the site will be required to provide a final site-host, property-access, lease, or other site-control agreement acceptable to MCE and sufficient to support installation, public access, and the required five-year operating period.

Applicants must not be suspended, debarred, or otherwise excluded from receiving federal funds.

3.2 Eligible Sites and Property Types

The proposed project must be located at a community-serving property in an eligible priority community and priority-population area. Examples include:

- Community centers and community-based organizations
- Libraries
- Schools and educational institutions
- Hospitals and clinics
- Parks and public facilities
- Community-serving business districts or commercial centers
- Multifamily properties (multifamily housing sites are not required to be publicly accessible)
- Transit-serving or other essential community locations

The following are not eligible:

- Single-family residential properties
- Sites where the charging spaces will not be available to the public (except for multifamily housing sites, which are not required to be publicly accessible)
- Private businesses or properties that do not demonstrate a meaningful benefit to the surrounding community
- Projects intended primarily to charge a vehicle fleet
- Sites outside the eligible geographic area

3.3 Public Access and Operations

- Chargers must be available to the public at least during the site host's regular operating hours. An applicant proposing more limited access must explain the proposed schedule in its Stage 1 application and demonstrate that the arrangement will still provide a substantial public benefit. Any exception is subject to MCE approval during Stage 2.
- Multifamily housing sites are not required to provide public access to charging stations. However, applicants are encouraged to specify public access hours when feasible.
- Charging spaces must include appropriate signage, striping, or pavement markings identifying the spaces for EV charging use.
- The applicant must ensure that the funded chargers are operated and maintained for at least five years after becoming fully operational.
- The site host must address equipment or network outages promptly and provide appropriate notices of extended downtime through available websites, applications, or other driver-facing platforms.
- The site host must maintain safe, accessible, and functional charging spaces and comply with applicable accessibility, permitting, electrical, and safety requirements.

3.4 Eligible Charging Equipment

Funding may support new Level 1 and Level 2 outlets, Level 2 electric vehicle supply equipment (EVSE), and DC fast charging equipment.

Applicants are not required to identify a final charger manufacturer or model at the time of Stage 1 application. Applicants should provide proposed equipment information and available supporting documentation when known.

Final equipment selection is subject to MCE approval. At a minimum, equipment must:

- Be new, not refurbished or previously installed, and installed for the first time at the approved site
- Be listed or certified by Underwriters Laboratories, Inc. or another Occupational Safety and Health Administration-recognized Nationally Recognized Testing Laboratory to applicable product-safety standards;
- Be rated for the proposed installation environment and installed in accordance with manufacturer requirements and applicable electrical, communications, safety, accessibility, permitting, and other code requirements;
- Be ENERGY STAR certified when an applicable certification exists;
- Use a current manufacturer-supported software and firmware version at the time of installation;
- Be networked and capable of providing equipment status, availability, usage, and other data required by MCE;



- Support contactless payment in addition to any network-based payment app for public-facing Level 2 and DC Fast charging equipment
- Include the connectors, cables, cable-management systems, mounting hardware, protective equipment, interfaces, and other components necessary for safe and complete operation;
- Include an extended warranty, maintenance plan, or other MCE-approved service arrangement;
- Incorporate features appropriate for the site to deter vandalism and reduce tripping, equipment damage, and other safety risks;
- Provide connector types approved by MCE and appropriate for the vehicles and users expected to use the site (approved configurations may include SAE J1772, Combined Charging System Type 1, J3400 (NACS), or another connector standard approved by MCE in writing);
- Comply with all local, state, and federal laws, policies, regulations and guidance, including, but not limited to, National Electrical Code Article 625, California Division of Measurement Standards ("DMS") Electric Vehicle Fueling Systems Specifications, and California Type Evaluation Program ("CTEP"); and
- Support Open Charge Point Protocol (OCPP) 1.6 (or newer), JSON version, with proof of certification or estimated date of certification attainment.

Build America, Buy America Compliance

Final equipment selection is subject to MCE approval and Build America, Buy America Procurement Requirements (see Section 4.3). Applicants should submit available manufacturer or supplier information at Stage 1 when a specific product is proposed, but final compliance documentation is not required until Stage 2. Applicants must not purchase, order, or make a binding commitment for charging equipment or other covered installed products unless and until MCE confirms applicable Build America, Buy America compliance or DOE-approved waiver and issues written authorization to proceed.

3.5 Community-Identified Locations

MCE's community engagement process has identified locations where participants believe public charging would provide substantial community benefit. These locations can be found in Appendix A. Applicants are encouraged, but not required, to propose projects at or near these locations. Appendix A is informational only and does not establish site control, availability, or automatic eligibility.

4. ELIGIBLE AND INELIGIBLE COSTS

4.1 Potentially Eligible Costs

Subject to MCE approval, applicable federal cost requirements, and the approved scope and budget included in the application, the following costs may be eligible for reimbursement when they are incurred once the applicant receives written authorization to proceed or when MCE expressly authorizes the specific cost in writing before it is incurred:

- Site evaluation and planning costs directly associated with the selected property;
- Approved charging equipment and required accessories;
- Design, engineering, permitting, and inspection fees;
- Installation and commissioning labor and materials, including trenching, wiring, conduit, signage, and restoration directly necessary for installation;

- Electrical service upgrades, panels, circuits, and utility-related infrastructure necessary for the approved chargers;
- Mounting hardware, pedestals, bollards, cable management, and required protective equipment;
- Construction costs such as excavation, paving, striping, and signage that are essential to charger installation;
- Networking subscription costs for up to the first five years when included in the approved budget and billed and paid as a single upfront amount; and
- Extended warranties or maintenance agreements for up to five years when included in the approved budget and billed and paid as a single upfront amount.

4.2 Ineligible or Restricted Costs

- Costs incurred before MCE and the applicant execute a subaward agreement and before MCE provides written authorization to proceed, except specific non-construction project-development costs that MCE expressly authorizes in writing before they are incurred;
- Landscaping, beautification, general parking-lot improvements, or site preparation not directly necessary for charger installation;
- General organizational operating costs that are not allocable to the approved project;
- Costs for existing equipment, used equipment, or equipment installed before authorization;
- Vehicle purchases, fleet operations, fuel, or electricity consumed after installation;
- Fines, penalties, interest, entertainment, alcoholic beverages, lobbying, and other costs prohibited by applicable requirements;
- The portion of a cost that has already been reimbursed, charged to, or counted as cost share under another funding source;
- Costs that are unreasonable, unsupported, outside the approved budget, or otherwise determined ineligible by MCE; and
- Costs incurred to prepare the Stage 1 application or to complete Stage 2 project-development requirements, unless MCE expressly authorizes specific non-construction costs in writing before they are incurred.

4.3 Build America, Buy America Procurement Requirements

This project involves federally funded EV charging infrastructure and is subject to the Buy America Preference under 2 CFR § 200.322, 2 CFR Part 184, applicable DOE award terms and conditions, and the MCE subaward agreement. Unless an applicable DOE-approved waiver applies, iron or steel products, manufactured products, and construction materials incorporated into the project must satisfy the applicable United States production requirements.

As applicable to the proposed project, conditionally selected applicants must:

- Identify proposed chargers and other major products to be incorporated into the project and provide manufacturer, model, product category, country-of-origin, and other information requested by MCE;
- Obtain and retain manufacturer or supplier certifications, or equivalent documentation, sufficient to demonstrate compliance for covered products;
- Include the applicable Buy America Preference in all subawards, contracts, subcontracts, and purchase orders for project work or products, and require compliance documentation to flow up to the applicant and MCE;



- Submit required compliance documentation to MCE during Stage 2 and obtain MCE approval before purchasing or ordering covered products or entering into a binding commitment; and
- Promptly notify MCE if a proposed product may not comply and provide market research, availability, cost, and other information requested to evaluate a compliant alternative or potential waiver.

Applicants may not assume that a proposed product is compliant or that a waiver will be granted. Only MCE, as the prime recipient, may submit a project-specific waiver request to DOE, and DOE must approve the waiver before an applicant may rely on it. MCE may require additional documentation, product substitution, or other corrective action. Costs associated with products acquired without required approval or that do not satisfy applicable requirements may be determined ineligible.

5. APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

5.1 Required Application Package

An applicant must submit a separate application package for each proposed installation address.

Each application package must include:

- A completed and signed EV Charging Project Application (see Exhibit A), including the preliminary budget and funding information;
- A completed Property Owner/Site Host Confirmation section within the Project Application, when the applicant does not own the proposed site; and
- Any available supporting materials, such as quotes, cost estimates, site evaluations, conceptual site plans, utility correspondence, photographs, or equipment information.

Supporting technical, equipment, design, and cost documents are encouraged when available but are not required to be final at the time of application.

Applicants must disclose any project planning or development activities completed before application submission, including costs incurred, contracts executed, equipment ordered, or any work that has already begun.

Preliminary activities such as site evaluations, conceptual designs, utility coordination, cost estimates, and obtaining nonbinding vendor quotes do not make a project ineligible. However, these costs will not be reimbursed unless MCE expressly authorizes specific non-construction costs in writing before they are incurred.

A project will become ineligible if, before receiving written authorization to proceed from MCE, the applicant has:

- Purchased or ordered charging equipment or other major installed products;
- Begun construction, excavation, installation, or other site-disturbing work;
- Entered into a binding, non-cancellable agreement for equipment or construction proposed for MCE funding; or
- Otherwise taken an action that prevents MCE from completing required procurement, environmental, Build America, Buy America, or other federal compliance reviews.



MCE may request additional information to determine whether prior activities or commitments affect project eligibility. Eligible applications will advance to the scored evaluation described in Section 6.

5.2 Level of Project Development Required at Application

MCE will accept applications for projects in the preliminary or concept-development stage.

At the time of application, the applicant must identify a specific eligible site, demonstrate property-owner or site-host willingness to participate, describe the proposed charging project and public-access arrangement, provide a reasonable preliminary budget and schedule, and demonstrate a credible path to completing the project by the required deadline.

Final engineering, utility approval, permitting, procurement, vendor selection, and equipment selection are not required before applying. Applicants should describe the current status of these activities and provide available supporting information.

Conditionally selected applicants will be required to further develop the project and submit additional technical, financial, equipment, procurement-planning, site, and compliance information during Stage 2.

Conditional selection does not constitute final project approval and does not authorize the applicant to begin work, purchase equipment, or make binding project commitments.

5.3 Completeness

MCE may request clarification or supplemental information. MCE may reject an application that is incomplete, unsigned, materially inaccurate, submitted after the deadline, or inconsistent with this Call for Projects.

6. EVALUATION AND SELECTION

6.1 Eligibility Review

MCE will first determine whether each application satisfies the eligibility requirements. Applications that satisfy the eligibility requirements will advance to the scored evaluation. Applications that do not satisfy one or more eligibility requirements may be removed from further consideration.

Eligibility requirements include:

- Eligible applicant and proposed site;
- Eligible priority community and priority-population area;
- Community-serving location and meaningful public access (please note: for multifamily housing sites, public access is encouraged but not required);
- Project is not primarily intended for fleet charging;
- Commitment and a credible plan to ensure ownership or other approved control, public access, operation, and maintenance for at least five years;
- Reasonable ability to complete the project by December 1, 2027;
- Funding request does not cause the applicant to exceed the \$249,999 aggregate cap;
- Applicant has not, before written authorization to proceed, purchased or ordered charging equipment or other major installed products, begun construction, excavation, installation, or other site-disturbing work, entered into a binding, non-cancellable agreement for equipment or construction proposed for MCE



funding, or otherwise taken an action that prevents MCE from completing required procurement, environmental, Build America, Buy America, or other federal compliance reviews; and

- Completed and signed EV Charging Project Application (see Exhibit A).

Final engineering, permitting, procurement, utility approval, vendor selection, and equipment selection are not required for threshold eligibility at Stage 1.

Preliminary planning activities, including site evaluations, conceptual designs, utility coordination, cost estimates, and obtaining nonbinding vendor quotes, do not, by themselves, make a project ineligible. However, costs incurred before execution of a subaward agreement and written authorization to proceed will not be reimbursed unless MCE expressly authorizes specific non-construction costs in writing before they are incurred.

MCE may request clarification or correction of minor omissions but may reject an application that does not satisfy a material eligibility requirement.

6.2 Scored Evaluation

Eligible applications will be evaluated using the following criteria:

Evaluation Criterion	Points	What MCE Will Consider
Community need and benefits	35	Need for charging, population served, community benefit, equity considerations, and measurable outcomes.
Project feasibility and concept	30	Proposed charging configuration, major site improvements that may be needed, project development activities that remain, and known technical, utility, permitting, financial, or schedule risks that could affect project feasibility, cost or completion.
Charging access, utilization and long-term operations	20	Hours of access, charger availability, accessibility, maintenance, outage response, and five-year operating plan.
Community priorities and geographic value	15	Proximity to community-identified locations, charging gaps, and contribution to a balanced portfolio across priority communities.
Total	100	

Maximum score: 100 points. MCE may establish a minimum score for funding and may consider portfolio balance, geographic distribution, charger type, available funding, project risks, and other programmatic factors when making final selections.

6.3 Selection Process

Applications received by the Stage 1 application deadline will be reviewed together.

MCE may request clarification, conduct interviews or site visits, and verify information provided in an application. Following eligibility review and scoring, MCE may:

- Issue a conditional selection;
- Place an application on a waitlist;
- Approve only part of a proposed project;
- Propose a lower funding amount or revised project scope; or



- Decline to select an application.

MCE may reopen the Call for Projects or conduct an additional application round if funding remains available after the initial selection process.

7. CONDITIONAL SELECTION, FINAL AWARD, AND AUTHORIZATION TO PROCEED

7.1 Conditional Selection and Project Development

An applicant selected for further consideration will receive a written conditional selection notice.

A conditional selection is not a final award and does not authorize reimbursable project work, equipment purchases, construction, binding vendor agreements, or other binding project commitments.

Conditionally selected applicants will generally have 60 calendar days, or another period established by MCE, to further develop the project and submit the information needed for MCE's technical, financial, federal compliance, subrecipient pre-award, and environmental and historic-preservation reviews. Project-development activities may include obtaining nonbinding quotes, developing proposed equipment specifications and site plans, coordinating with the utility and property owner, and gathering procurement, cost, and Build America, Buy America documentation.

During Stage 2, MCE will review information as it is submitted; request clarifications, additional documentation, or project revisions as necessary; and initiate and coordinate applicable environmental and historic-preservation reviews with the DOE. Applicants must not execute vendor contracts, order equipment, begin construction or site-disturbing work, or make other binding commitments unless expressly authorized by MCE in writing.

Stage 2 will continue until MCE completes its required reviews and receives any required DOE environmental or historic-preservation determinations or approvals.

7.2 Pre-Award Requirements

Conditionally selected applicants will be required to provide the following information, as applicable and in a form specified by MCE. The level of detail may vary based on the project's status and complexity:

- A detailed scope, budget, and schedule;
- Site evaluation, utility, design, and permitting information;
- Procurement-planning, vendor-selection, and cost-support information, including the proposed procurement method, vendor-selection status, nonbinding quotes or estimates, and other documentation requested by MCE;
- Equipment information and manufacturer or supplier certifications, or equivalent documentation, sufficient for MCE to verify applicable Build America, Buy America compliance or evaluate a potential waiver;
- Property-owner, site-host, or site-control documentation;
- Operations and maintenance information;
- Environmental and historic-preservation information;
- Supporting information for any requested alternative payment arrangement; and
- Organizational, financial, and federal compliance information required for MCE's subrecipient pre-award review.



Any vendor or equipment selection made during Stage 2 must remain nonbinding and contingent on MCE approval, execution of the subaward agreement, and written authorization to proceed.

MCE may request additional information or documentation necessary to complete its pre-award review and confirm the project's eligibility, feasibility, and compliance with applicable federal requirements.

MCE may modify or withdraw a conditional selection if the applicant does not provide adequate information, the project is determined to be infeasible or ineligible, applicable federal requirements cannot be satisfied, or the project cannot be completed within the required schedule.

7.3 Final Award and Authorization to Proceed

Following successful completion of Stage 2, MCE may approve the final project scope, budget, schedule, equipment, payment arrangement, and award amount.

The final approved project or award amount may differ from the information included in the Stage 1 application or conditional-selection notice.

A final award is contingent upon:

- Successful completion of MCE's pre-award review;
- Approval of the final project scope, budget, and schedule;
- Completion of applicable environmental and historic-preservation review;
- Verification of applicable Build America, Buy America compliance or an applicable DOE-approved waiver;
- Approval of the procurement approach and required cost-support documentation;
- Availability of program funds; and
- Execution of a written subaward agreement.

The applicant may begin reimbursable project work only after the subaward agreement is executed and MCE provides written authorization to proceed.

7.4 Anticipated Subrecipient Responsibilities

Following final award, subrecipients will be expected to:

- Follow the approved scope, budget, schedule, and applicable federal requirements;
- Maintain supporting financial, procurement, project, and equipment records;
- Submit reimbursement requests and periodic project and performance reports;
- Obtain MCE approval before material changes to the site, scope, budget, schedule, equipment, or vendors;
- Cooperate with monitoring, site visits, audits, record-access requests, and project closeout; and
- Operate and maintain the chargers for the required five-year period.

The subaward agreement will contain the complete requirements as well as DOE-required terms and conditions. Noncompliance may result in delayed or denied reimbursement, corrective action, suspension, termination, or repayment of funds.

8. SUBMITTAL INSTRUCTIONS



8.1 How to Submit

- Submit one completed and signed EV Charging Project Application for each proposed installation address.
- The application must include the preliminary budget and funding information and, when applicable, the completed Property Owner/Site Host Confirmation section.
- Applicants proposing more than one site must identify the total amount requested across all applications.
- The aggregate amount requested by a single applicant may not exceed \$249,999.
- File naming convention: [Applicant Name]_[Site Address]_[Document Name].
- Stage 1 Application deadline: September 4, 2026, 5:00 PM PT
- Upload applications here: <https://mea.egnyte.com/ul/g37rwtkih0>
- Questions must be submitted to: contracts@mcecleanenergy.org by August 17, 2026, 5:00 PM PT

8.2 Amendments and Questions

MCE may issue written amendments, responses to frequently asked questions, or other clarifications, which will be posted on MCE's website (<https://mcecleanenergy.org/solicitations/>). Applicants are responsible for reviewing all materials issued for this funding opportunity before submission.

9. MCE RIGHTS AND RESERVATIONS

MCE reserves the right to:

- Cancel, suspend, modify, or extend this Call for Projects;
- Reject any or all applications or waive minor informalities;
- Request clarification, supplemental information, interviews, or site visits;
- Verify information provided by an applicant and contact property owners, vendors, utilities, references, or government entities;
- Negotiate project scope, schedule, budget, equipment, access conditions, or other terms;
- Award less than the amount requested or make no award;
- Consider portfolio balance and distribute funds across locations, communities, charger types, and applicants;
- Determine final cost eligibility and impose project-specific or risk-based conditions; and
- Discontinue consideration of an applicant that fails to provide requested information or satisfy pre-award requirements.

Applicants are responsible for all costs of preparing and submitting an application. All application materials submitted in response to this Call for Projects will be subject to the provisions of the California Public Records Act and any other applicable disclosure laws. Applicants should clearly identify information they believe is confidential, but MCE cannot guarantee that submitted information will be withheld from disclosure.



APPENDIX A. COMMUNITY-IDENTIFIED POTENTIAL LOCATIONS

The locations below were identified through focus groups and the Community Electric Transportation Council (CETC). This list is informational only. MCE has not confirmed property-owner interest, site control, current charger status, geographic eligibility, technical feasibility, or project availability. Applicants may propose other eligible community-serving sites.

County	Community	Location Type	Potential Location	Coordinates	Existing EV Charger (Y/N)
Contra Costa	Bay Point	Shopping	Oak Hills Shopping Center (Safeway, UPS Store)	38.01681925951488, -121.94265545995933	No; approximately 0.3 mile away
Contra Costa	Bay Point	Shopping	Walgreens at Willow Pass Road	38.02725025197796, -121.94157554646473	No; approximately 0.5 mile away
Contra Costa	Bay Point	Community Center	The Ambrose Center*	38.02686278030831, -121.94926289754959	No; approximately 0.9 mile away
Contra Costa	Concord	Place of Worship	The Bay Church - Concord Campus	38.02321695911504, -121.98194906180628	No; approximately 1.7 miles away
Contra Costa	Concord	Library	Concord Library*	37.982774867276916, -122.02574436547006	No; approximately 0.5 mile away
Contra Costa	Concord	Shopping	Costco	37.95810339144693, -122.03244294618825	No; approximately 1.4 miles away
Contra Costa	Concord	Park	Concord Community Park	37.96633542798794, -122.01407634281927	No; approximately 1.7 miles away
Contra Costa	Pittsburg	DMV	Pittsburg DMV	37.999502766164575, -121.8713773125326	No; approximately 1.5 miles away
Contra Costa	Pittsburg	Shopping	Safeway	38.01630257355142, -121.94354616358986	No; approximately 0.4 mile away
Contra Costa	Pittsburg	Grocery Store	Cardenas Market	38.016142483384584, -121.89123520228868	No; approximately 0.4 mile away
Contra Costa	Pittsburg	Park	Woodland Hills Park	37.999645507204455, -121.90450581947819	No; approximately 1.5 miles away
Contra Costa	Richmond	Shopping	Walmart	49.17804984765446, -123.12037356113153	Existing chargers reported under repair
Contra Costa	Richmond	Library	Main Library - Richmond*	37.93894445641866, -122.34329608895506	Not available
Contra Costa	Richmond	Transit Center	El Cerrito del Norte BART Station	37.925352572795966, -122.31647870495202	No; approximately 0.5 mile away



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Contra Costa	Richmond	Park	Unity Park	37.931264907396645, -122.35417973297596	No; approximately 0.7 mile away
Marin	San Rafael	Park	Pickleweed Park*	37.96826702461808, -122.49809851947992	No; approximately 0.9 mile away
Marin	San Rafael	School	College of Marin	37.9559429028942, -122.54956207345657	No; approximately 0.2 mile away
Marin	San Rafael	Park	China Camp State Park - beach parking area	38.00144932041842, -122.4909961022895	No; approximately 1.4 miles away
Marin	San Rafael	Community Center	Canal Alliance	37.96385106834311, -122.50526636180946	No; approximately 0.2 mile away
Marin	San Rafael	Grocery Store	Cardenas	37.962064626512756, -122.50019220413914	No; approximately 0.1 mile away
Marin	San Rafael	Shopping	Home Depot	37.953282789346225, -122.49289774710458	No; approximately 0.3 mile away
Marin	San Rafael	Park	Gerstle Park	37.96574411506661, -122.5367543348214	No; approximately 1.0 mile away
Marin	San Rafael	Medical Center	Kaiser San Rafael	37.97339134357436, -122.52808644936128	Yes; 10 chargers reported
Napa	Napa	Grocery Store	Safeway	38.32136925172671, -122.3018163752841	No; approximately 0.2 mile away
Napa	Napa	Medical Center	Kaiser Napa	38.32051670177884, -122.30330586179018	No; approximately 0.2 mile away
Napa	Napa	Grocery Store	Trader Joe's	38.32300669881075, -122.30587821946065	No; approximately 0.1 mile away
Napa	Napa	Shopping	Target - 205 Soscol Avenue	38.28285262158559, -122.27774651055192	No; approximately 0.6 mile away
Solano	Vallejo	Medical Center	Kaiser Vallejo	38.127314194684615, -122.2482644174285	Yes; 5 chargers reported
Solano	Vallejo	Recreation	Six Flags	38.1384399441756, -122.23352468059389	No; approximately 2.0 miles away



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Solano	Vallejo	Medical Center	Sutter Health Vallejo	38.131964095877386, -122.23719115789523	Existing chargers reported under repair
Solano	Vallejo	DMV	Vallejo DMV	38.11750375765326, -122.25143181762449	No; approximately 0.5 mile away
Solano	Vallejo	Park	Children's Wonderland Park	38.10407707529918, -122.24221738694261	No; approximately 0.8 mile away
Solano	Vallejo	Transit Center	Vallejo Ferry Station	38.100735413710225, -122.26234719489459	No; approximately 0.3 mile away
Solano	Vallejo	Rest Area	Hunter Hill Rest Area	38.15160978901055, -122.21703563111672	No; approximately 4.8 miles away
Solano	Vallejo	Shopping	Costco	38.13324063596591, -122.21366601947106	No; approximately 0.3 mile away

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