

New York Clean Transportation Prizes



The New York Clean Transportation Prizes program will electrify transportation, reduce air pollution, and enhance clean mobility in disadvantaged communities in New York State. The competitions will each run in two phases. The registration deadline for the first phase was 3:00 p.m. ET on July 22, 2021.

The three prize competitions are:

- [**Clean Neighborhoods Challenge**](#)[🔗] – up to three \$10 million grand prizes will be awarded to innovative projects that address local air pollution reduction at scale in disadvantaged communities. The submission deadline is August 24, 2021 at 3:00 p.m. ET. **Closed.**
- [**Electric Mobility Challenge**](#)[🔗] – up to three \$7 million grand prizes will be awarded to projects that demonstrate innovative safe and convenient electric mobility options that help solve disadvantaged community transportation needs. The submission deadline is August 25, 2021 at 3:00 p.m. ET. **Closed.**
- [**Electric Truck & Bus Challenge**](#)[🔗] – up to three \$8 million grand prizes will be awarded to projects that demonstrate electrified solutions to the deployment of medium- and heavy-duty electric vehicles or their replacement through other electrified transportation modes. The submission deadline is August 26, 2021 at 3:00 p.m. ET. **Closed.**

An independent pool of global experts will help New York State assess applications and guide the project selection process through the different phases of the competitions. Under the first phase of the program, projects selected and located in one of the six New York State investor-owned utility (IOU) territories will be eligible to receive the following award package:

- A \$100,000 planning grant
- Up to \$50,000 in funding for community partners
- Up to \$50,000 in-kind support from NYSERDA provided expert consultants
- Additional support services for project management, community engagement, and measurement and verification

Additionally, the Long Island Power Authority (LIPA) is making one award per challenge available during the first phase. LIPA will also fund up to one grand prize of up to \$10 million on Long Island. Proposals from LIPA's territory will be eligible for similar support throughout phase one and will submit proposals on the same timelines. Outside of the IOU and LIPA service territories, proposals are eligible to receive up to \$50,000 of in-kind support from consultants plus additional support services. These proposals will also be marketed to potential funding partners but are not eligible for monetary awards through this program.

Up to 15 projects within the IOU territories and up to three on Long Island could be awarded funding during the first phase. In the first phase, proposals will be selected by winter 2021-2022, final proposals will be submitted by spring 2022 as part of the second phase, and grand prizes will be selected in summer 2022.

Interactive Map

NYSERDA has provided an [interactive map](#) for proposers to identify areas throughout the State that meet the interim criteria identified for a disadvantaged community as defined by New York State, and their respective utility provider. Proposers are encouraged to visit the [Clean Transportation Prizes](#) website to learn more about program eligibility criteria.

Webinars

NYSERDA is hosting a series of webinars to provide access to experts' perspectives on best-in-class solutions in clean transportation and community engagement.

The topics include:

- [Transportation Electrification Overview](#) on Wednesday, May 5, 2021
- [Successful Partnerships and Teaming](#) on Tuesday, May 18, 2021
- [Electric Fleet and Mobility Insights](#) on Tuesday, May 25, 2021

The New York Clean Transportation Prizes program is administered by NYSERDA in partnership with the New York State Department of Public Service and the Department of Environmental Conservation, as part of an \$85 million allocation through New York's Make Ready program to accelerate the transition to a clean transportation future. The Make Ready program is funded by investor-owned utilities in New York State to boost access to charging stations, EV infrastructure, and other clean transportation options, and support equitable access and benefits for lower-socio-economic and disadvantaged communities. This program supports New York's nation-leading clean energy and climate goals in the Climate Leadership and Community Protection Act.

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