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## The PGE Drive Change Fund

Since its inception in 2019, the Drive Change Fund has awarded millions of dollars to projects, including new electric vehicles and chargers, to help electrify transportation in Oregon.

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## Got an electrification project that needs funding?

From transit buses and passenger vehicles to electric bikes and community service vehicles, the PGE Drive Change Fund is all about electrifying transportation in Oregon. Do you have a local electric vehicle adoption, EV charging infrastructure or education project you would like us to fund? Get in touch.



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Native American Youth and Family Center employees are excited about their new electric vehicles, made possible by the Drive Change Fund.

## 2021 Drive Change Fund winners

Through our Drive Change Fund, millions of dollars have been awarded to organizations throughout Oregon who are helping build a clean energy future.



### Electrifying transportation



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Transportation is the single biggest source of greenhouse gas emissions in Oregon.

We are committed to reducing those emissions by accelerating access to — and adoption of — electric vehicles for everyone. Community organizations, nonprofits and businesses can apply for grants to advance electric vehicle adoption, EV charging infrastructure and/or education in [communities PGE serves](#). In 2020, \$2.3 million was granted to 12 local community-based organizations to expand access to electric transportation for everyone, specifically

focused on helping environmental justice communities. The Drive Change Fund (DCF) is funded through the Oregon Department of Environmental Quality's [Clean Fuels Program](#) [↗](#).

## How the Drive Change Fund works

### Eligible project types include:

- Purchasing electric vehicles including e-bikes, light, medium, and heavy duty vehicle types.
- Installing electric vehicle supply equipment (EVSE).
- Education and outreach campaigns.
- Innovative projects accelerating the adoption and awareness of transportation electrification.

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### Preference is given to projects:

- Hosted by a public or non-profit organization.
- Utilizing full battery electric vehicles (BEVs)
- Engaging directly with environmental justice communities.
- Providing a substantial education, environmental, and economic benefit to the community and PGE customers.

## Funding timeline and process

The Drive Change Fund grant application process is open from May 2 through July 1, 2022.



This is an open and competitive application process. Applications will be reviewed and evaluated by a third party, in accordance with established evaluation criteria. Award funding is limited and will differ from project to project based on applicant request and available funding.

## Key milestones

\*tentative date

Date	Milestone
May 2, 2022	PGE begins accepting applications.
June 17, 2022	Application milestone – deadline for PGE site assessment.
July 1, 2022	Application closes at 5 p.m. PDT.
June 30, 2024	Deadline for project completion.

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“We are extremely grateful to PGE for providing us with a Driving Change Fund Grant. The funding allowed us to not only purchase two electric vehicles for our Meals 4 Kids program but install three electric vehicle charging stations in our Central Office parking lot. Employees and volunteers who own electric vehicles can charge while they work. And, we have been able to expand the reach of our Meals 4 Kids program in a green way, which helps maintain our standing as one of 100 Best Green Workplace in Oregon.”

– Suzanne Washington, CEO of Meals on Wheels, 2020 Drive Change Fund award recipient

# Get started

## 1 Make sure your project meets the requirements.

Review the program resources below to make sure your project meets the DCF requirements, preferences, goals, and scoring criteria.

## 2 Rally the troops.

Gain support within your organization and with project partners and community members.

## 3 Ask for help.

Communicate with the Grants Manager and Technical Experts with any questions. Site assessments are available to aid in developing a project scope. Reach out at [pgedrivechange@pgn.com](mailto:pgedrivechange@pgn.com).

## 4 Get organized.

Put together your project details, discuss available funding sources, and develop a project timeline.

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## 5 Turn it in on time.

Complete and submit your application between May 2 and July 1, 2022.

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