



Press Release

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City Awarded Grant for Electric Vehicle Charging Stations

The City has made dramatic progress in reducing its carbon footprint and reducing pollution by planting more trees, creating and preserving more green spaces, reducing landfill waste through recycling and proper disposal of waste, and retrofitting existing park lights to energy efficient, LED fixtures which have reduced energy usage. To reduce vehicle emissions, the City has acquired new, cleaner fleet vehicles, is currently in the process of acquiring an all-electric bus, and plans to add electric vehicles to the City's fleet in the near future. To establish the necessary infrastructure for an electric vehicle fleet, the City applied for grant funding from the Mobile Source Air Pollution Reduction Review Committee (MSRC) in January 2018.

Last week, the City was informed that the grant application was approved, and the City will be awarded \$50,000 for the installation of electric vehicle charging stations. This funding will provide up to 50 percent of the purchase and installation cost associated with the electric vehicle charging stations for the City's fleet.

The MSRC allocates Clean Transportation Funding from a surcharge on vehicle license fees, specifically to be used for local projects designed to reduce air pollution from mobile sources such as cars, trucks and buses. Membership of the MSRC is made up of representatives from the transportation agencies of Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside, and San Bernardino Counties as well as the Southern California Association of Governments, a designated regional rideshare agency, the California Air Resources Board and the South Coast Air Quality Management District.

The installation of the electric vehicle charging stations will further the City's goal to reduce its carbon footprint to zero by enabling the City to operate cleaner, and eventually maintain an electric vehicle fleet.

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Located in southeast Los Angeles County, Artesia is a diverse, vibrant city with nearly 18,000 residents and a dynamic business community. The City of Artesia, a leader in sustainability practices and winner of two 2018 Beacon Spotlight awards, is focused on serving the community with sound governance, 21st century infrastructure, and a commitment to public safety. To request services or share a question, visit our [Service Request page](#). To stay updated on our projects and events, visit us at CityofArtesia.us, like us on Facebook and follow us on Instagram @OfficialCityofArtesia, and subscribe to our YouTube channel @CityofArtesia.