



City of Chicago
Department of Business Affairs and Consumer Protection
Public Vehicle Operations Division · 2350 W. Ogden · Chicago, IL 60608 · 312-746-4300

Green Taxi Incremental Cost Allowance Program Description

With the expressed objectives of increasing the number of hybrids and alternative fuel vehicles in the taxi fleet and creating a body of green vehicles in the taxi fleet that are accessible, the Chicago Department of Business Affairs and Consumer Protection (BACP) and Department of Environment (DOE) announce the Chicago Taxi Industry Green Taxi Incremental Cost Allowance Program. This program uses \$544,000 in funding made available through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 to reimburse up to a set amount of the cost of designated vehicles.

ELIGIBILITY:

- All vehicles must be purchased new or converted to run on an alternative fuel in 2011.
- All vehicles, including retrofits/conversion systems, must be commercially available and must be certified/approved by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and/or the California Air Resources Board (CARB) and meet the applicable Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standards. (FMVSS). **See page 4 for a list of approved vehicles.**
- Only applicants/entities that have not already received and/or been awarded funding through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009, Clean Cities Program are eligible.
- Invoices and receipts for vehicle purchases/conversions or quotes for proposed vehicle purchases/conversions must be submitted at the time of application or the application will be deemed ineligible.
- Applicants may not use funds in order to meet settlement requirements set forth in agreements with the City of Chicago.

INCREMENTAL COST PROVIDED TO APPLICANTS IS AS FOLLOWS:

- For Natural Gas Vehicles (NGVs) purchased new, incremental cost shall be calculated as the difference between the cost of the NGV and the cost of a comparable conventional model verified by manufacturer estimate, after all other applicable manufacturer and local/state rebates, tax credits, and cash equivalent incentives are applied. **Only the incremental cost of a NGV will be reimbursed, not the full vehicle cost.** NGV's must be purchased new in 2011.
- For vehicles that are converted to run on alternative fuels, Compressed Natural Gas (CNG) or Propane (LPG), the incremental cost shall be based on the cost of the new fuel system plus installation after all other applicable manufacturer and local/state rebates and cash equivalent incentives are applied. **Only the cost of conversion system (including installation) will be reimbursed, not the cost of the base vehicle.** Existing fleet vehicles and used vehicles are allowable as long as the conversion is performed in 2011.
- Hybrids shall be reimbursed \$2,000 per vehicle. Hybrid vehicles must be purchased new in 2011.
- For all vehicles, funding must go to the title holder (medallion holder or registered licensee manager) of the vehicle.



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GREEN TAXI PROGRAM STEPS:

1. BACP will review all applications and submitted documentation for completeness and accuracy. Submitted documentation must include:
 - Completed and signed Green Taxi Incremental Cost Allowance Program Application;
 - Signed Sub-Awardee Agreement (attached to this application), including completed Exhibits C and D, certifying acceptance of program terms and conditions;
 - Proof of vehicle purchase or quote for planned purchase including vehicle make and model, vehicle identification number (VIN), purchase date, and purchase price. Cost, manufacturer, and model number of vehicle conversion system is required for vehicles converted to run on alternative fuels.
2. BACP will return Sub-Awardee Agreement co-signed by BACP's authorized grant manager, Gas Technology Institute (GTI), to applicants selected for reimbursement.
3. Once selected applicant (Sub-Awardee) has paid vehicle costs (including vehicle conversion costs, if applicable), they will need to submit a Payment Requisition Form to GTI.
4. GTI will review Payment Requisition Forms and, once approved, will submit to City of Chicago for reimbursement.
5. Upon receiving payment from City of Chicago, GTI will reimburse Sub-Awardee for purchases as quickly as possible. The timeline for Sub-Awardee to receive payment will vary depending on completeness of required documentation, timing of submission of Payment Requisition Form, and timeliness of City's payment to GTI. Typical duration should be **8-12 weeks**.
6. Sub-Awardee will be required to affix a decal (supplied by BACP) to each vehicle stating that the vehicle was funded in-part by an ARRA Clean Cities program.
7. Funds will be reimbursed on a first-come, first-served basis until December 31st, 2011, or until the funding runs out, whichever comes first. Funds will be monitored closely so the industry can be made aware of when funds are exhausted.
8. Sub-Awardee will be required to submit vehicle mileage and fuel usage to GTI on a quarterly basis through December 31st, 2013, as described below.



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REQUIRED VEHICLE USAGE INFORMATION (TO BE PROVIDED QUARTERLY):

The table below has SAMPLE data that is required information to be provided on a quarterly basis for each vehicle for which reimbursement is received under this program.

VEHICLE DATA COLLECTION (SAMPLE DATA)					
Vehicle Make / Model	VIN	Fuel Use in Quarter (gallons or GGE)	Fuel Use Total (gallons or GGE)	Mileage in Quarter (miles)	Mileage Total (miles)
Toyota Prius	JTDKKB20UX60999999	220	450	9200	18950
Chevrolet Impala (CNG)	2G1WB5EK0A1133870	610	1805	18730	54650
Ford Crown Victoria (LPG)	2FABP7BV3AX109941	120	485	1845	7380

ACCESSIBLE VEHICLES:

If applicants demonstrate a strong commitment to purchasing a vehicle that is both green and accessible, BACP will investigate extending the timeframe for those purchases, as well as securing additional funding sources. Contact the department directly to discuss plans to purchase a vehicle that is both green and accessible.

BACP SUPPLIED DECAL:

As stated above, Sub-Awardee will be required to affix a decal (supplied by BACP) to each vehicle stating that the vehicle was funded in-part by an ARRA Clean Cities program.

BACP INFORMATION SESSIONS TO BE HELD AT 2350 W. OGDEN:

BACP will hold information sessions to discuss this opportunity and answer questions on

- Monday, April 25th at 5:30 p.m. at 2350 W. Ogden
- Tuesday, April 26th at 10:30 a.m. at 2350 W. Ogden



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LIST OF APPROVED VEHICLES:

All vehicles must meet the requirements of the BACP 2011 Approved Vehicle List and the requirements of Section 9-112-060 of the Municipal Code of Chicago.

2011 Hybrids	
Manufacturer	Model
Chevrolet	Tahoe Hybrid
Chrysler	Aspen Hybrid
Ford	Escape Hybrid
Ford	Fusion Hybrid
GMC	Yukon Hybrid
Honda	Accord Hybrid
Mercury	Mariner Hybrid
Nissan	Altima Hybrid
Saturn	Vue Hybrid
Toyota	Camry Hybrid
Toyota	Prius Hybrid
Toyota	Highlander Hybrid

Liquid Propane Vehicles		
Manufacturer	Model	Model Year
Chevrolet	Impala	2009-2010
	Crown	
Ford	Victoria	2009-2010
Ford	Expedition	2008
Lincoln	Town Car	2009-2010
Lincoln	Navigator	2008
	Grand	
Mercury	Marquis	2008-2009

Note: Vehicle Make, Model, and Model Years (MY) listed have propane conversion kits that are EPA certified. Additional models and MY kits may become available.

Compressed Natural Gas Vehicles		
Manufacturer	Model	Model Year
Chevrolet	Impala	2009-2010
Chevrolet	Suburban	2008-2009
Chevrolet	Tahoe	2008-2009
Ford	Crown Victoria	2009-2010
Ford	Expedition	2009-2010
Ford	Fusion	2009-2010
Ford	Transit Connect	2010
GMC	Yukon	2008-2009
Lincoln	Town Car	2009-2010
Lincoln	Navigator	2009-2010
Mercury	Grand Marquis	2009-2010
VPG	MV-1 (OEM NGV/ Accessible)	2011

Note: Vehicle Make, Model, and Model Years (MY) listed have natural gas conversion kits that are CARB/EPA certified. Additional models and MY kits may become available.



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Please attach all relevant invoices, receipts, and/or quotes for vehicle purchase / conversion to this application. Any application that does not include proof of vehicle purchase / conversion or quotes of proposed vehicle purchase/conversion will be rejected. Only vehicles purchased or converted in 2011 are eligible.

Fill out the following information (please print or type):

Name of Applicant: _____

Name of Vehicle Owner (if not the same as Applicant): _____

Name of Taxicab Licensee (Corp. Name): _____

IRIS Account Number: _____

Medallion Numbers (if known): _____

Phone Number: _____

Email: _____

Address: _____

Please complete the following table. DO NOT SUBMIT A REQUEST IF YOUR VEHICLE IS NOT ON THE LIST OF APPROVED VEHICLES. If additional rows are needed, please include information on another sheet.

Vehicle Make	Model	Model Year(s)	Qty	Total Vehicle Cost	Incremental Cost Requested ¹

Notes:
 1. Only NGV incremental cost, alt fuel conversion system cost, or hybrid reimbursement (\$2,000) is allowable.



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By signing this application, I agree to the following terms and conditions:

- I, the company/entity I represent, or any company of which I have a stake in ownership, have not yet received any funding or award through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009, Clean Cities Program.
- I agree to post, as directed, a decal supplied by BACP on the outside of this vehicle. This sticker is to remain posted through at least 2013.
- On any tax forms where this vehicle is relevant, I will duly note the United States government has part ownership in the vehicle and notification will be given at time of disposition beyond its intended use as a taxi in the Chicagoland area.
- I agree to provide a quarterly accounting through December 2013 of fuel use and miles traveled by each vehicle receiving funding through this program.
- I understand that, if selected, I will enter into the attached Sub-Awardee Agreement with BACP's authorized grant manager, the Gas Technology Institute, to receive funding, as required by the United States Department of Energy (US DOE) and the City of Chicago.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Submit completed application forms to:

**City of Chicago
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Attn: Deputy Commissioner Rupal Bapat
2350 W. Ogden Avenue
Chicago, IL 60608**

Questions on this program can be directed to:

**Eve Jennings
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These forms are also available on-line, in writeable PDF format, at:

www.cityofchicago.org/bacp