

GREEN TAXI EXPO



Join Us At The Green Taxi Expo!

Friday, July 15, 2011
10 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Public Vehicle Divisions Office
2350 W. Ogden

Featuring: Demonstration vehicles, Green Taxi grant funding administrators, representatives from businesses that sell or convert vehicles, and City personnel.

The Green Taxi Program provides funding for the taxi industry to purchase alternative fuel and hybrid vehicles. It allows the taxi industry to economically update their fleets to more environmentally friendly cars. **Act Fast!** The program ends December 31, 2011.



Why Participate?

- The program offsets the cost of purchasing a new car.
- These vehicles are allowed to operate six years as a cab, two years longer than a traditional cab.
- Drivers are eager to lease these vehicles as fuel savings can be as much as 62%.
- Carbon emissions can be reduced by as much as 61% when switching from a traditional taxi to an alternative fuel or hybrid vehicle.
- CNG vehicles will soon be allowed to use the “short trip” lane at the airports.

To find out more about the program or to download application forms visit the **BACP Public Vehicle** page at

http://www.cityofchicago.org/city/en/depts/bacp/supp_info/green_taxi_program.html.

The Green Taxi Program forms are also available at the Public Vehicle Division Office, 2350 W. Ogden.



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FACTS:

Eligible Cars: Three types of currently available cars are eligible: hybrids, natural gas vehicles (NGVs), and propane (LPG) vehicles. A detailed list of eligible cars can be found inside the application. Electric cars are not eligible.

Reimbursement: Hybrids can be reimbursed for \$2,000, the maximum allowed by the federal government under this program. Compressed natural gas or propane powered vehicles can be reimbursed for up to 100% of the conversion cost, including installation, which is typically between \$9,000 and \$14,000.

Time Frame: Vehicles must be purchased by December 31, 2011. Vehicles already purchased earlier this year will qualify.

Vehicle Age: Hybrids eligible for this program must be model year 2011 or newer. Cars converted to natural gas or propane through this program may be older.

Conversions: Vehicles converted to natural gas or propane must be dedicated to run on the alternative fuel. Bi-fuel vehicles are not eligible for this program.

Quarterly Reporting: Awardees will be required to submit vehicle mileage and fuel usage to the Gas Technology Institute (GTI) on a quarterly basis through December 31st, 2013.

Leased/Managed Medallions: Owners of any taxi cab, regardless if they own, manage or lease their medallion, are encouraged to apply.

