

Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) FY27 Residential Electric Vehicle Supply Equipment (EVSE) Rebate Program

Type of Program:	Rebate Program (No Upfront Reservation)
Target Audience:	Maryland residential households
Program Webpage:	https://energy.maryland.gov/transportation/Pages/incentives_evse rebate.aspx
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Application Deadline:	3:00 PM Eastern Time May 31, 2027 , through the My MEA portal. The My MEA online application portal may close to new applications prior to the Application Deadline, if the total budget requested exceeds the available Program Budget.
Application Submission through My MEA:	MEA.maryland.gov

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Change Log Table:

<u>Table summarizing document changes</u>		
Date	Section	Description of Change
October 9, 2026	Section 12.6.1 (Photo documentation)	Clarifies that the photo needs to show both the outlet and the body of the charging equipment, and adds a photo of the charger equipment with indicator lights on as proof of operation.
October 9, 2026	Section 14.1 (Payment and Reporting)	Updates instructions related to ACH payment.

1. Program Purpose:

The Fiscal Year 2027 (FY27) Residential Electric Vehicle Supply Equipment (EVSE) Rebate Program provides incentives to support the purchase and installation of electric vehicle charging stations at residential households across Maryland. By supporting charging infrastructure, the program aims to increase the adoption of electric vehicles.

2. Type of Rebate Program:

This rebate program is offered statewide on a first-come first-served basis for eligible applications.

- 2.1. No Upfront Reservation Required: Applicants may only apply for a rebate after the equipment has been acquired, installed, placed in operation, and paid in full. See the Section 15 “Application Submission Instructions” of this FOA for further information.

3. Application Deadline:

3:00 PM Eastern Time May 31, 2027. The My MEA online application portal may close to new applications prior to the Application Deadline, if the total budget requested exceeds the available Program Budget. Please see Section 6 “Anticipated Program Budget” for more information.

4. Program Description:

The Residential EVSE Rebate Program provides rebates to Maryland residential households for costs incurred purchasing and/or installing eligible EV supply equipment, also referred to as charging stations.

4.1. The application portal uses the following status terminology:

- 4.1.1. **In Progress:** the applicant has started an application, has saved it for later, but has not yet submitted the application to MEA;
- 4.1.2. **Submitted:** the EVSE installation is complete and the applicant has requested a rebate by submitting the application through the [My MEA](#) online application portal;
- 4.1.3. **Approved:** MEA has completed the preliminary eligibility review of the rebate application;
- 4.1.4. **Sent for Payment/Completed:** MEA has sent the rebate payment request to the Comptroller of Maryland's office for payment processing;
- 4.1.5. **Missing Information:** MEA has electronically notified the designated primary contact that an application requires additional information, additional documentation, or documentation revisions. **The applicant must submit the information or documentation within fourteen (14) calendar days after the notification by MEA.**
- 4.1.6. **Rejected:** MEA has rejected the application, because it does not meet one or more minimum eligibility requirements, or the application has been in the "Missing Information" status for over fourteen (14) calendar days after MEA's notification to the applicant.

5. Laws and Regulations:

MEA rebate programs funded by the Strategic Energy Investment Fund (SEIF) are subject to section 9-20B-05 of the State Government article and the regulations found in COMAR 14.26.02. To access these regulations, click [here](#)¹ and use the sidebar "Regulations by Title" to navigate to: 14 - Independent Agencies → 26 - MARYLAND ENERGY ADMINISTRATION → 02 - Maryland Strategic Energy Investment Program.

6. Anticipated Program Budget:

MEA anticipates up to \$1.5 million will be available from the Strategic Energy Investment Fund ("SEIF") for rebates awarded under this Program. The total amount may be more or less, at MEA's discretion.

See Section 9 "Eligible Activities" and Section 11 "Minimum Eligibility Requirements" below for the allowable uses of funding and restrictions on

¹ [Code of Maryland Regulationshttps://dsd.maryland.gov/Pages/COMARSearch.aspx](https://dsd.maryland.gov/Pages/COMARSearch.aspx)

funding.

7. Rebate Amount:

7.1. The rebate amount will be calculated using the following formula:

<u>Rebate Formula Table</u>		
Rebate Basis	Rebate Amount Formula	Maximum Rebate Amount
Eligible equipment and installation costs for one (1) charger	50% of total eligible costs	\$700

7.2. **The My MEA online application will auto-calculate an estimated rebate amount based on the equipment cost and install cost entered by the applicant. However, MEA will apply the funding formula to eligible expenses only with supporting documentation. The rebate amount may be less than the estimated amount but never more.**

8. Eligible Applicants:

8.1. The following entity types are eligible to apply:

8.1.1. Maryland residential households

8.1.1.1. Eligible residential households may include households residing in single family homes or multifamily homes, as long as the residential applicant purchases the EVSE charger directly and is able to comply with all requirements in this FOA.

8.2. See Section 9 “Eligible Activities”, Section 10 “Ineligible Applicants and Activities”, and Section 11 “Minimum Eligibility Requirements” below for the allowable use of funds and restrictions on funding.

9. Eligible Activities:

9.1. Equipment must be a Level 2 charger. A Level 2 charger means a charger that uses 240-volt AC power, adding approximately 25-50 miles per hour.

9.2. Eligible costs under this program include those costs directly attributable to the site design, charger equipment, installation, labor, permitting, site preparation, upgrade for utility connections, signage, and equipment necessary to implement and operate the EVSE.

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- 9.3. Gift cards may be listed as a cash expenditure for rebate reimbursement.
 - 9.4. The EVSE must be installed on property located in Maryland and must be used for charging on-road motor vehicles propelled by electricity.
 - 9.5. For applicants that include installation expenses in their application, the EVSE must be installed by a Maryland-licensed, professional electrical contractor.
 - 9.6. EVSE may either be mounted or plug-in.
 - 9.7. In support of Maryland's greenhouse gas reduction goals and to ensure electric vehicles are charging as efficiently as possible, MEA strongly encourages applicants to consider EVSE that are certified under the federal ENERGY STAR program.

10. Ineligible Applicants and Activities:

- 10.1. Ineligible applicants and ineligible activities under this FOA may be eligible for other incentive programs instead. To learn more:
 - 10.1.1. A copy of the General Notice of Intent for Fiscal Year 27 (FY27) Maryland Energy Administration Energy Programs² is available on MEA's website [here](#).³
- 10.2. Specific ineligible applicants and ineligible activities under this FOA include, but are not limited to:
 - 10.2.1. Incorporated towns, cities, and counties of Maryland;
 - 10.2.2. Incorporated Nonprofit entities;
 - 10.2.3. Businesses and limited liability companies;
 - 10.2.4. Local education agencies;
 - 10.2.5. Maryland Institutions of Higher Education accredited by the Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools, Commission on Higher Education;
 - 10.2.6. Level 1 and Level 3 chargers
 - Level 1 chargers: Use 120-volt AC power
 - Level 3 chargers: Also known as DC fast chargers, use high-voltage DC power and are designed for rapid charging. A Level 3 charger can add up to 20 miles of range per minute.
 - 10.2.7. Ineligible costs include the purchase of (electricity) fuel to power the EVSE, and any ongoing equipment and site maintenance costs.
 - 10.2.8. Based on the level of interest in the EVSE program and to maximize the number of potential program participants, MEA will no longer consider taxes, shipping costs, and credit card payment

² Please note the General Notice of Programs is provided for planning purposes only. Each individual Program Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) will include specific program requirements. Program names and details may change based on the final program design and stakeholder feedback.

³ [Summary of upcoming fiscal year 2027 programs](#)

- convenience fees as eligible expenses for inclusion in the rebate calculation.
- 10.2.9. A single charger will not qualify for multiple rebates, even if owned by different people at different times or relocated from one location to another.
- 10.2.10. Used EVSE expenses (including installation costs): pre-owned, used, and refurbished EVSE costs are all ineligible. To consider a refurbished EVSE eligible, it must be certified with proof of certificate from the manufacturer or seller.
- 10.2.11. Self-Installations: The EVSE may not be self-installed unless that individual is also a Maryland-licensed, professional electrical contractor. For self-installations, proof of Maryland electrical license is required.
- 10.3. MEA programs will not award rebates to projects that violate or conflict with the Fossil Fuels Policy. For more information, please review the Fossil Fuel Policy provided as FOA Attachment A.

11. Minimum Eligibility Requirements:

To be considered a complete application, the following requirements must be met:

- 11.1. **Ability to Comply with Fossil Fuel Policy:** The Fossil Fuel Policy is provided as FOA Attachment A.
- 11.2. **Identification for Payment:** the individual receiving the rebate must provide the following information:
- 11.2.1. **Individual Taxpayer Identification Number:** The applicant must have an established Social Security Number, ("SSN") or other valid individual taxpayer identification number, when the application is submitted.
- 11.3. **Duplicate Funding Restrictions:**
- 11.3.1. One EVSE rebate is available per Maryland resident, regardless of the address.
- 11.3.2. A single charger will not qualify for multiple rebates, even if owned by different people at different times or relocated from one location to another.
- 11.3.3. MEA will not award a rebate for an EVSE replacing another EVSE at the same location that previously benefited from, or was incentivized by, EVSE Rebate Program funding or another MEA energy program.
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- 11.4. If MEA determines that any activity undertaken violates or conflicts with the program requirements established in this FOA, MEA may rescind the rebate or take any other appropriate action, as determined by MEA.
- 11.5. **Project Completion Deadline:** An application must be submitted within **six (6) months** of payment in full as indicated on the final receipt and invoice for either the equipment purchase or the installation.

12. Required Application Documents:

To receive a rebate, an applicant must include the following documents. Failure to submit any of the required documents may result in the application being considered incomplete resulting in the delay or rejection of the rebate application. Each application to the Program must include the following:

- 12.1. **Application:** The applicant must provide a complete and accurate online application through the [My MEA Portal](#).
- 12.2. **Self-Verification of Minimum Eligibility:**
- 12.2.1. The applicant must electronically sign an attestation of the following as part of the My MEA online application:
- 12.2.1.1. I have reviewed the Fossil Fuel Policy.
- 12.2.1.2. I have reviewed all requirements of this program, as specified in this Funding Opportunity Announcement.
- 12.2.1.3. To the best of my knowledge, all information provided in this application is complete, accurate, and true, and all work performed pursuant to a rebate shall comply with the terms and conditions of the Program, the Fossil Fuel Policy, and all applicable local, state, and federal laws, regulations, and building codes.
- 12.3. **IRS Form W9:** The applicant must provide a complete, accurate, and signed IRS Form W9 for the individual that will be receiving the rebate.
- 12.3.1. **Rebate recipient is an individual:** The IRS Form W9 name, address, and Individual Tax Identification Number (e.g., Social Security Number (“SSN”)), will be used to approve the rebate. **The rebate recipient’s name and address provided on the IRS Form W-9 and on the application must match, and the address must be the billing address (rather than the project installation address).** A blank copy of the most recent IRS Form W9 can be
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found on the [IRS Form W9 webpage](#)⁴.

- 12.3.2. If during payment processing a discrepancy is identified between the IRS Form W9 provided by the applicant and information in the State of Maryland's financial system, additional information or documentation (e.g., a copy of a driver's license or state identification card) may be required to be submitted prior to payment being able to be issued.

- 12.4. **Project Narrative:** The applicant must respond to the following prompts directly in the My MEA **online application** in Step 5:

- 12.4.1. Enter EVSE Manufacturer - Model
- 12.4.2. Enter Purchase Date
- 12.4.3. Enter Installation Date
- 12.4.4. Equipment Cost
 - 12.4.4.1. Enter Equipment Cost (\$); or
 - 12.4.4.2. Check "Waive Equipment Cost"
- 12.4.5. Install Cost
 - 12.4.5.1. Enter Install Cost (\$); or
 - 12.4.5.2. Check "Waive Install Cost"

- 12.5. **Final Paid Invoices and Receipts:** The applicant must provide documentation that the EVSE equipment and installation are paid-in-full. Documentation must include line item breakdowns, including prices and quantities for all eligible equipment and installation costs.

- 12.6. **Photo Documentation:**

- 12.6.1. The applicant must upload at least two (2) photos:
 - A photo of the mounted electric vehicle charging equipment, displaying the installation of the outlet and body of the charging equipment itself.
 - Proof of system operation: A photo showing the EVSE charging cord plugged into the vehicle and charging (preferred method), or a photo of the charger equipment with indicator lights on demonstrating the unit is powered and operational.
- 12.6.2. If an applicant seeks a rebate for the installation of a NEMA 14-50 outlet to be used by plug-in EVSE, the photos must still show the actual EVSE plugged into the new NEMA 14-50 outlet. The photos must also show the actual EVSE charging equipment.

⁴ [About Form W-9, Request for Taxpayer Identification Number and Certification | Internal Revenue Service](#)

13. Review and Payment Processing:

13.1. MEA will evaluate each application. The evaluation includes review steps described below.

13.1.1. **Program Staff Eligibility Review:** The MEA Program Staff reviews the application for eligibility according to this FOA.

13.1.2. **Financial Payment Processing:** The eligible application is submitted for payment through the State of Maryland's financial system, with payment ultimately issued through the Comptroller of Maryland's office.

13.1.3. **Missing Information Policy:** MEA will electronically notify the designated primary contact if an application requires additional information, additional documentation, or documentation revisions. **The applicant, or designated primary contact, must submit the information or documentation within fourteen (14) calendar days after notification by MEA. Failure to submit the requested information within the 14 day deadline may result in a rejected application.** Applicants may choose to reapply during the application window and while funding remains available.

14. Payment and Reporting:

14.1. One-time rebate payments are typically sent as a check through the mail. However, rebate program participants may elect to receive an ACH payment. If you have previously received ACH payments from the State please confirm your banking information is current by calling 410-260-7813. If you have not previously set up ACH payment, you may complete the ACH registration process online on the [Comptroller of Maryland's website](https://marylandcomptroller.jotform.com/team/public/GADX10)⁵.

14.2. **1099-G form:** Rebates issued by the State of Maryland may be taxable and may result in the issuance of a 1099-G form to the rebate recipient. As the MEA is unable to give tax advice, any tax-related questions should be directed toward a qualified tax professional.

⁵ <https://marylandcomptroller.jotform.com/team/public/GADX10>

15. Application Submission Instructions:

15.1. To apply using My MEA:

15.1.1. Navigate to the My MEA Portal [here](#)⁶

15.1.1.1. For New Users: Select 'Login' on the top right of the page, followed by clicking "[Sign up](#)" under "Create an account for your energy project" on the next page.

15.1.1.2. For Existing User: Select the 'Login' button and enter your existing username and password (continue to Section 15.1.3).

15.1.2. Create an account by following the instructions on the page.

15.1.2.1. Complete the questions using your personal information, after selecting "Resident" under "What roles best fits you?".

15.1.2.2. You will need to create a password and verify your account via email.

15.1.3. On the [My MEA home page](#), click the FY27 Residential EVSE Rebate Program.

15.1.4. Review the information on the page and select "Apply" when ready.

15.1.4.1. Complete the application with the required information. An application can be saved for later.

15.1.4.2. Upload all the required documents and photos.

15.1.5. Applicants can track application status in the portal and may receive update emails as necessary.

16. Rebate Terms and Conditions:

16.1. MEA Access to Project Site:

16.1.1. Upon reasonable notice, a rebate recipient shall make the project site available to MEA or its representatives for at least three years from the date of payment to enable verification that project requirements are fully satisfied or to evaluate the effectiveness of the Program.

⁶ [Apply for a program at mea.maryland.gov](https://mea.maryland.gov)

- 16.1.2. If the project site is controlled by a third party, for at least three years and upon reasonable notice the rebate recipient shall be responsible for obtaining written permission from the third party to allow MEA access to the project site.
- 16.2. **Location within Maryland:** The project must be located in Maryland.
- 16.3. **Nondiscrimination Provision:** A business applicant must comply with the nondiscrimination provisions of federal and Maryland law and certifies that its Constitution, by-laws, or policies prohibit illegal discrimination.
- 16.4. **Compliance with Relevant Certifications, Licenses, And Requirements:**
- 16.4.1. The rebate recipient shall be responsible for compliance with the following:
- 16.4.1.1. All work performed for the project shall be carried out by staff and contractors holding all necessary Maryland certifications and licenses. Any business or non-profit organization operating in Maryland with which the rebate recipient contracts or partners to carry out the purposes of the project shall be registered and in good standing with the Maryland State Department of Assessments and Taxation, if applicable.
- 16.4.2. All work performed for the project shall comply with all applicable local, State, and federal building codes and other applicable laws and regulations.
- 16.5. **False Statement or Report:** A person may not knowingly make or cause to be made any false statement or report in any document required to be furnished by MEA in relation to the Program. For a SEIF-funded program, any violation of this provision is a misdemeanor and on conviction is subject to a fine not exceeding \$50,000.00 or imprisonment not exceeding 1 year or both, as specified in State Government Article §9-20B-11 of the Annotated Code of Maryland.
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- 16.6. **Maryland Saved Harmless:** To the extent allowed by Maryland law, and subject to appropriations if applicable, the rebate recipient agrees to defend, indemnify, and hold MEA harmless from and against any and all damages, claims, lawsuits, actions, and reasonable out-of-pocket costs and expenses, in whatever form, arising from or related to the rebate. MEA expressly reserves the right of any immunity MEA or its employees may possess under State or federal law.
- 16.7. **Environmental Standards and Liability:** As relevant to the project, the rebate recipient shall ascertain and comply with all applicable Environmental Standards, monitor compliance, and immediately halt and correct any incident of non-compliance.
- 16.8. **Maryland Public Information Act; Use of Project Information:** In accordance with Section 4-501(c)(3) of the General Provisions Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland, MEA is required to advise applicants of the following:
- 16.8.1. The information being requested by the Application is necessary to document the completion of the project and to ensure installation of a qualifying system.
 - 16.8.2. Failure to provide all required information will result in cancellation of your Rebate application and ends any obligation to you under this program.
 - 16.8.3. Upon submission for payment, some of this information will be provided to other agencies of the State to process the payment of the Rebate.
 - 16.8.4. Unless otherwise provided by law or court order, portions of the information provided by an applicant may be subject to disclosure upon request for inspection under Maryland's Public Information Act. To the extent permitted by law, personal information will not be disclosed except for the purpose of processing a rebate application.
- 16.9. **Project Location Workforce Requirement for SEIF-funded Rebates:** A SEIF-funded rebate shall comply with State Government Article § 9-20B-05, Annotated of Maryland, which requires that at least 80 percent of workers participating in a project or program that receives money from the
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SEIF must reside within 50 miles of the project or program. As the Program is a statewide program, MEA will determine compliance based on whether at least 80 percent of worksite workers reside in Maryland, or within 50 miles of Maryland's borders.

- 16.10. **Maryland Law Prevails:** The internal laws of Maryland shall govern the interpretation and enforcement of the rebate, except for any choice of law provisions utilized by Maryland.
- 16.11. MEA does not provide tax information or tax advice. Questions should be directed to a qualified tax professional.
- 16.12. If MEA determines that any activity is inconsistent with the terms and conditions, MEA may rescind the rebate or take any other appropriate action, as determined by MEA.
- 17. Questions:**
Applicants can direct questions not answered by this FOA to MEA by sending an email to evse.mea@maryland.gov.
- 18. Attachments:**
18.1. Attachment A: MEA's Fossil Fuel Policy
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