

2022 Clean School Bus Rebate Program

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Overview of the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law EPA Clean School Bus Program

The new legislation authorizes EPA to award grants, rebates and contracts to eligible recipients for the replacement of existing school buses with zero emission and clean school buses

\$5 billion over five years (FY22-26)

Half of the funding is for zero emission, battery-electric buses

Half of the funding is for clean buses

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Development

- The final program guidance is still under development
 - We are unable to release the full program details at this time
- We are targeting early May to open the rebate program
- We welcome your feedback. Please submit comments to cleanschoolbus@epa.gov

Why is EPA Running a Rebate Program?



Fastest funding program to develop



Quickest timeline fleets to receive funding



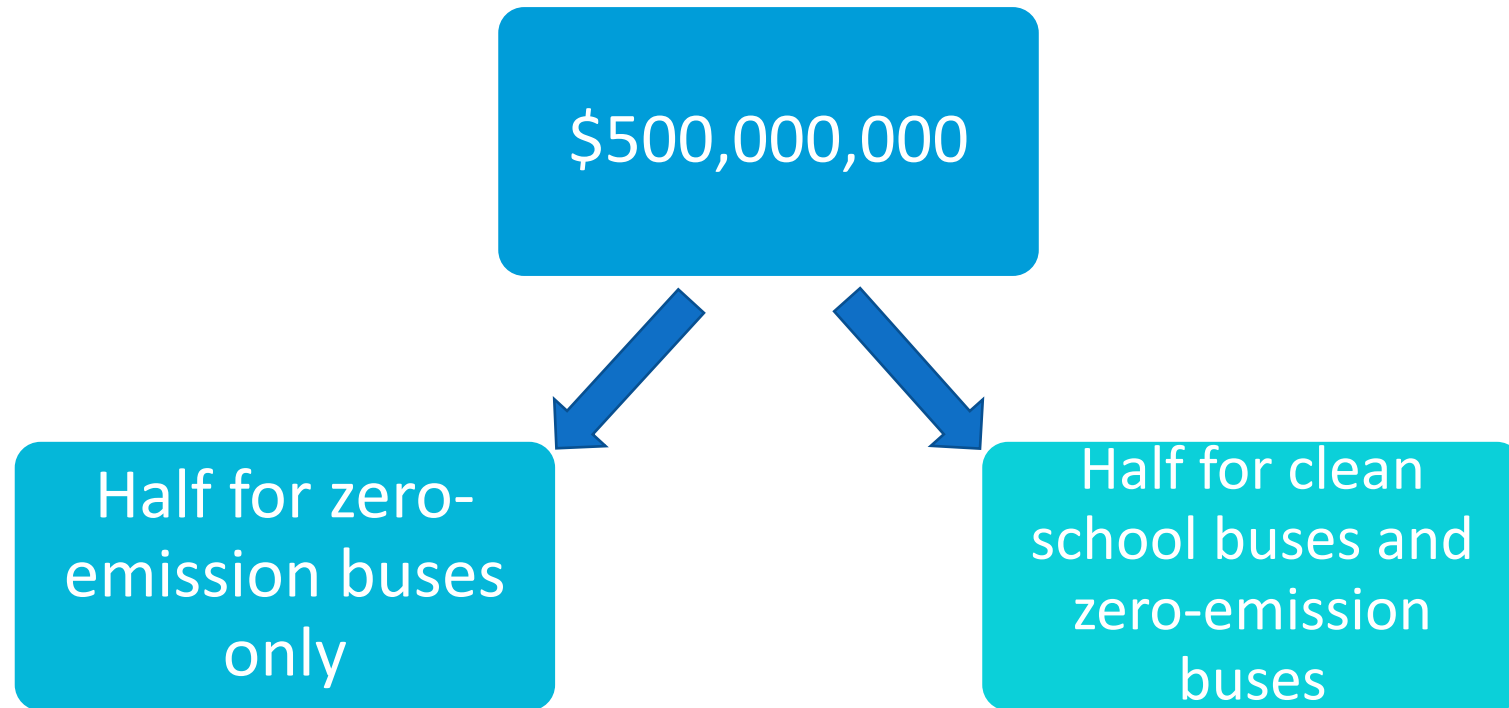
Straightforward rules - rebates are for bus replacements and infrastructure only



Streamlined application, selection, and funding processes

- EPA is exploring options for future grant and other funding opportunities.

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- EPA may award more than \$500,000,000 based on applicant demand and other considerations.
- The amount received by all eligible entities in a State cannot exceed 10 percent of the total amount awarded each fiscal year.

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School Bus Definition

For the 2022 CSB Rebates, “school bus” is defined as a passenger motor vehicle designed to carry a driver and more than 10 passengers, that the Secretary of Transportation decides is likely to be used significantly to transport primary and secondary school students to or from school or an event related to school.

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Eligible Applicants

State and local governmental entities responsible for:

- 1) providing bus service to 1 or more public school systems; or
- 2) the purchase of school buses.

Nonprofit School Transportation Associations

Indian Tribes, Tribal Organizations, or tribally controlled schools that are responsible for:

- 1) providing school bus service to 1 or more Bureau-funded schools; or
- 2) the purchase of school buses.

Eligible Contractors

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Prioritization for funding

- Per the statute, the rebate program will prioritize the replacement of buses which serve:
 - High-need school districts
 - Tribal schools
 - Rural and low-income areas
- EPA plans to post a list of prioritized applicants

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Charging and Fueling Infrastructure

- Interested in fleet electrification? Reach out to your utility now!
- EPA has created a charging and fueling infrastructure technical assistance page: www.epa.gov/cleanschoolbus/charging-and-fueling-infrastructure-resources
- EPA will be working closely with the Joint Office of Energy and Transportation to provide additional technical assistance and support for school bus fleets on infrastructure planning
- EPA is awaiting final guidance from the Office of Management and Budget on any applicable Buy America requirements

Anticipated timeline for the CSB rebate

Program Update Webinar	April 27, 2022 10:00 – 11:00 AM PT
Open rebate program	Early May
Close of rebate solicitation	End of Summer
Announcement of rebate selections	Fall

In the coming weeks, EPA will:

- Release program guidance including:
 - Specific eligibility information for applicants, buses to be replaced, and new buses
 - Prioritized applicant list
 - EPA cost share
 - Selection process
- Upcoming informational webinars including:
 - Program kickoff
 - Demos of how to complete application
 - Weekly Q&A sessions during open rebate application period

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Application Process



NEW On-line Application Form



Approximately three-month application period



Applicant needs old bus model years and VINs



Applicant needs an active SAM.gov registration

Please check www.epa.gov/cleanschoolbus/prepare-clean-school-bus-funding for more information about how to prepare for the upcoming rebate program

2022 Clean School Bus Rebate Program - Next Steps

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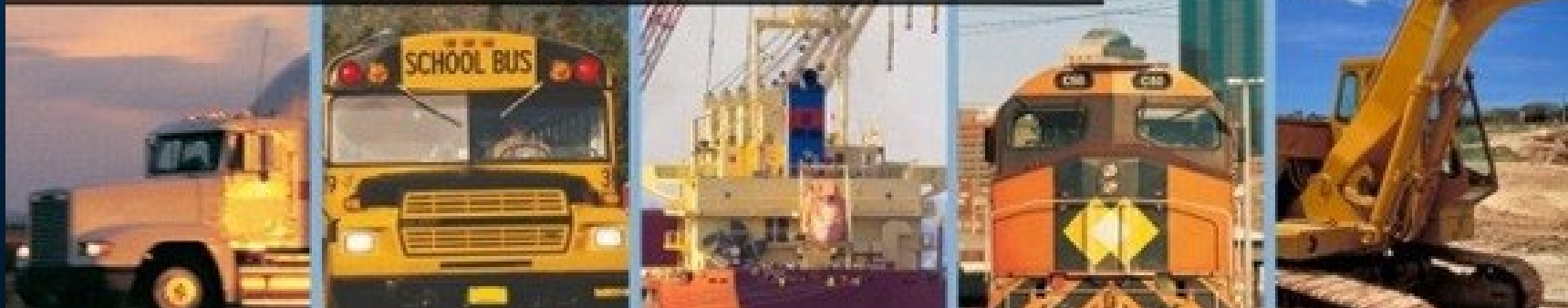
- Check our schedule of events for upcoming informational webinars
- Create a fleet inventory using the [2022 Clean School Bus Inventory Sheet](#) provided online.
 - This information will help you characterize the buses in your fleet to best determine what buses may be the best candidates for replacement with new electric or alternative fuel buses.

Questions?



Moving Toward Cleaner Air

Reducing emissions that impact our health



DERA Tribal & Insular Area Grant Program

- **Competitive RFA out Spring 2022**
- No mandatory cost share requirement
- Separate funding opportunity from the other DERA programs
- More flexible than the DERA National Grant Program
- Separate review by EPA staff of the tribal & Insular Area applications

“Insular Area”: Guam, American Samoa, Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands & U.S. Virgin Islands

Eligible Diesel Vehicles, Engines & Equipment

- **Buses**
 - Public or private transit, school
- **Class 5-8 medium & heavy-duty highway trucks**
 - Delivery, long- & short haul, trash, fire, rescue, dump, utility
- **Marine engines**
- **Locomotive engines**
- **Nonroad engines, equipment or vehicles**
 - Construction
 - Agriculture
 - Forklifts
 - Cargo handling- at a port, airport or warehouse
 - Mining
 - Primary energy production- stationary generators & pumps

Thank You!

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