



February 2026 Newsletter

Upcoming Events

- [Energy Independence Summit](#), Washington, DC, Feb. 10-11
- [Telematics for a Smarter Fleet](#), Virtual, Feb. 18
- [Tech Happy Hour: Energy Use for Data Centers](#), Virtual, Feb. 19
- [E-Mobility Day at the Capitol](#), Richmond, VA, Feb. 25
- [2026 Electric School Bus Workshop](#), Highland Springs, VA, March 10
- [Sustainability in Tourism Conference](#), Massanutten, VA March 19-20
- [Powering the EV Workforce of Tomorrow](#), Abingdon, VA, March 25
- [2026 Rally in Richmond](#), Richmond, VA, Apr. 2
- [Mid-Atlantic Advanced Transportation Summit & Expo](#), Harrisonburg, VA July 22-23

Click the events for more info.

Electric School Bus Workshop



Electric School Bus Workshop

Highland Springs, VA • March 10, 2026



Learn the basics and best practices!



Learn Basics and Best Practices for Adopting Electric School Buses

Virginia Clean Cities invites school districts in Virginia to join a no-cost, in-person workshop on the basics of electric school buses. Participants will learn from fleets, school districts, utilities, agencies, and community partners about technical opportunities and pathways for deployment of electric school buses in Virginia.

Details

- Date and Time: March 10, 2026 from 9:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m
- Location: IBEW Central Virginia
- Address: 1400 E Nine Mile Rd., Highland Springs, VA 23075
- Cost: **FREE**

[Register Today](#)

**Apply for the Energy
Ingenuity Fund**

**Learning the Business
with Camrett Logistics**



Virginia Tobacco Region Revitalization Commission is now accepting applications for its Energy Ingenuity Fund. These dollars are specifically for Southern and Southwest Virginia and are designed for projects that create collaboration between the energy and economic development sectors.

Applications due **February 9th** via the Regional Tobacco Commission's website, so apply soon!

[Learn More](#)



Do you know what it takes to build a tractor trailer? Some of the Virginia Clean Cities team had the opportunity to learn more about the logistics behind the scenes of this manufacturing sector at Camrett Logistics. The Camrett team showcased what takes to store, organize, assemble, and transport the hundreds of pieces that go into that truck.

[Read our Post](#)

MAATSE Call for Proposals

Have insights, a special project, or experience in the transportation energy space that you would like to speak on to an audience? For our inaugural conference in July, we invite proposals that advance safer, cleaner, more equitable, and more efficient transportation across the Mid-Atlantic.

[Make your voice heard](#)

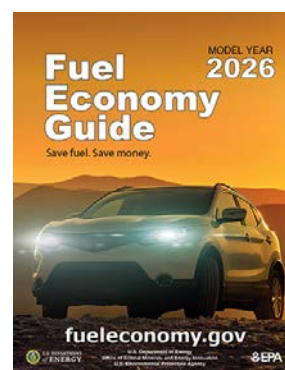


Virginia Energy seeks Proposals for Energy Resilience



The Virginia Department of Energy announced the opening of applications for the new Community-Oriented Resilient Energy (CORE) Subaward

2026 Fuel Economy Report Released



Program, which will fund local projects that strengthen community energy resilience while advancing the Commonwealth's clean energy goals. The CORE Subaward Program supports community-based energy resilience projects that can keep critical facilities and services operating during grid disruptions.

Proposals are due February 17th.

[Learn More](#)

The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) have just released the 2026 Fuel Economy Guide. The Guide provides detailed fuel economy estimates for model year 2026 light-duty vehicles, along with estimated annual fuel costs and other information for prospective car buyers.

[See the Guide](#)



TECH HAPPY HOUR
January 29, 2026, 3-4 p.m.
Virginia Clean Cities Annual Program Update

Speakers:

- Allynn Harned, Executive Director
- Matthew Wade, Deputy Director
- Tarah Kesterson, Clean Communities & Economic Development Director for SVCC
- Jordan McLean, Communications & Outreach Coordinator
- Russell Presnell, SVCC Clean Fleets Program Manager
- Gregory Brennan, Sustainable Transportation & Infrastructure Manager
- Graham Sheridan, Clean Communities & Economic Development Director for Eastern VA

2026 Recap and Recording!
VCC's Annual Program Update

RECAP: VCC's Annual Program Update Webinar

Missed our annual program update, or otherwise want a recap of what went down? We talked all about workforce development, Southwest Virginia expansion, financial assistance programs, and more. Follow the link below to see the summary of the session, as well as the full recording.

[See the Recap](#)

New and Returning Members



Returning Platinum Level Member!



Interested in becoming a VCC member?

Gain access to expert insights, strategic connections, technical assistance and more by joining our community. Check out our [membership page](#) or [contact us](#) with your questions.

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