

# News Flash

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## EV Meeting in August in Davis

The Davis EV Association is back in person! You are invited to join them on Wednesday, August 9 at 6:00 pm at Muir Commons, 2222 Muir Woods Place, Davis for their next meeting. If you prefer to attend virtually, you can watch a YouTube <u>live video feed</u>.

Since Muir Commons parking is for residents only, please park nearby on Shasta Drive or in the Patwin Elementary School parking lot.

#### Agenda 6:00 pm:

- Welcome and introductions
- Hot topics & questions Share recent EV news and ask general EV questions
- Planning for National Drive Electric Week (NDEW) The Sunday Oct. 1 event will feature an EV showcase and test drives. Learn how you can help
- Davis Market EV pop-up Held on the third Saturday of every month
- Multi-Unit Dwelling EV charging Through PG&E, UCD Charging, and other local groups

#### 7:00 pm:

- Muir Commons tour By local resident and DEVA member Eugen Dunlap
- New vehicle presentation View a Rivian R1T

Light refreshments will be served. The meeting will be indoors in a large hall, and face masks will be available. You can also attend the meeting virtually via a YouTube live video feed. Go to the <u>DEVA Meeting Live Feed Page</u> to access links to the feed.



## Sacramento County & City Climate Action Plans

**CLIMATE** Both Sacramento County and Sacramento City have released Climate Action Plans (CAPs) that describe how Sacramento will eliminate climate-changing greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions. Since the most significant contributor to GHGs is vehicles, our regional transition to EVs is vital. We're looking for volunteers to review and comment on these plans. If you'd like to be part of saving our climate, join our team to help the city and county develop the best possible plans. Just reply to this message with <u>"I'd</u> <u>like to help."</u>

## **PG&E Pilot EV Charging Infrastructure Programs**

Last week, PG&E announced two new pilot programs aimed at providing no-cost EV charging infrastructure and resources to underserved communities. If you are located in one of PG&E's **Priority Communities**, we encourage you to apply now because availability is limited.

The first pilot program, <u>Empower EV</u>, offers income-eligible customers up to \$2,500 in incentives to help cover the cost of installing EV-charging equipment at their single-family residences.



In the second, <u>Multifamily Housing and Small Business EV Charger Program</u>, PG&E plans to install approximately 2,000 Level 1 and Level 2 EV chargers at 450 multifamily housing units, nonprofit organizations, and small businesses in select communities. For qualified customers, the charging units will be installed at no cost to property owners and the program will cover two years of networking and software fees.

Read the press announcement here.

## **Upcoming Regional EVents**

#### **Banana Festival**

Come join us at our information table at the <u>2023 Banana Festival</u> in William Land Park. Enjoy the activities and share your EV experience at this event while you check out the food, music, kids zone, and contests. Tickets are free. If you want to help, reply with "bananas are cool."

Date: Saturday, August 19, 10:00 am - 7:00 pm
Date: Sunday, August 20, 10:00 am - 5:30 pm
Where: William Land Park Village Green, E Park Rd, Sacramento, CA 95822



Community Resource Project 50th Anniversary Celebration

We've been asked to join the **Dia de la Familia 50 CRP Anniversary celebration** at McClatchy Park to share information about our personal experiences with EVs and describe what the "EV lifestyle" is like. Plus, there will be live music, farmers market, multicultural dance group performances, food demos and tastings, a puppet show, and more, in a cool park setting.

Reply if you are interested. **Date:** Saturday, Sept 16, 10:00 am - 4:00 pm **Where:** McClatchy Park, 3500 5th Ave., Sacramento, CA 95817

#### **SMUD Ride & Drive Series**

SMUD is providing a Ride and Drive Series, and over the past several years, SacEV has been a key partner at these events. SacEV members can contribute by:

- Showing static display vehicles
- Staffing the SacEV information booth
- Providing SacEV member ride-alongs

Scheduled SMUD EVents

- North Natomas Farmers Market Saturday, August 19 from 8:30 am 12:30 pm
   North Natomas Regional Park, 2501 New Market Drive, Natomas, CA
- Elk Grove Home and Energy Expo Saturday, September 16, 10:00 am to 2:00 pm
   District 56, 8230 Civic Center Drive, Elk Grove, CA
- Sacramento International Auto Show, October 27-29 from 10:00 am 6:00 pm
  - Cal Expo/Main Entrance 1600 Expo Blvd. at Heritage Way, Sacramento, CA

You can find more information about each SMUD Drive Electric Ride and Drive event on the SMUD event website, <u>https://www.smud.org/evevents</u>.

To participate, contact: Jenny Matchell Northern California Events Manager, Charge Across Town Jenny@chargeacrosstown.org (cell) 916-764-8724

## **SMF DC Fast Charger Blocked by Construction**

Oh no! In case you haven't heard, the DC fast charger plaza at the Sacramento International Airport (SMF) has been <u>blocked due to nearby</u> <u>construction</u>. Access might not be restored for several months.

According to the U.S. Federal Vehicle Technologies Office, <u>DC fast charg-ing accounted for 21.5% of all EV public charging ports</u> in the first quarter of 2023.





Día de la Familia



## **Upcoming Webinars**



SacEV brings you a list of upcoming EV related presentations. In case you missed one, we've added pointers to the recordings. You can also find this list on the SacEV.org website <u>HERE</u>.

### Join the National Electric Vehicle Association



When you join other SacEV members as national Electric Vehicle Association members, you are part of the national grass-roots community advocating for EVs in the USA. The national EVA is critically important to SacEV as it handles our administrative chores (tax filings, non-profit status, banking service, insurance, legal help, etc.) and provides value, such as webinars and the two nation-wide events: National Drive Electric Week and Drive Electric Earth Day.

Your SacEV leadership team relies on these services, so we encourage you to join the national organization for the small sum of \$35 annually. You will also be able to keep current with the latest developments in the rapidly changing world of electric vehicles in our regular Current Events e-blog.

What else do you get?

- Low Interest Loans: The EVA has partnered with a credit union to offer members low-interest loans on electric vehicles, solar, and electric bikes.
- Battery Health Reports from Recurrent Auto: The EVA is working with Recurrent to better understand battery degradation and range loss, particularly for used electric cars. Contribute to this initiative by signing up for free monthly battery reports to share anonymous battery data. For each new EV, Recurrent is donating \$10 to the EVA so we can expand and enhance our programming.
- **BlueDot:** EVA members are eligible for \$10 off your first charge + \$0.30/kWh charging all time on the Bluedot network. Contact <u>membership@myeva.org</u> and ask for the bluedot code!
- Neocharge: \$125 off NeoCharge Smart Splitter. Contact <u>membership@myeva.org</u> and ask for the NeoCharge code!
- Networking Opportunities: Networking with EV advocates at events is just one of the many benefits of becoming a member. Join one of our committees to use your skills to make an impact.
- Educational Opportunities: The EVA offers ongoing virtual meetings, resources, and more including our EV Educate Certificate Program and EV blog.
- **Benefits to SacEV:** SacEV receives a portion of your membership fee to help fund the work you do in our community.

Your membership provides value to you, our local SacEV chapter, and you become a member of this critical national movement. **Please join <u>NOW</u>**. You may also send a check payable to the Electric Vehicle Association, c/o Guy Hall, 8325 Walden Woods Way, Granite Bay, CA 95746.

## More SacEV Events Are Coming Up

Check the SacEV calendar for the latest EV-related activities.

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