



Points of Pride in Alternative Fuels

Tennessee's Eighth Congressional District

Hardin

- *Hardin County Schools* is slated to receive funding to replace five older diesel school buses with new all-electric school buses as a result of the EPA's first Clean School Bus Program Grants competition.¹

Haywood

- *Ford Motor Company* is engaged in the construction of its \$5.6 billion Tennessee campus at Stanton, known as "Blue Oval City." Ford plans to build approximately 500,000 electric vehicles annually.²
- *Enchem America Inc.* plans to locate its U.S. manufacturing operations to Brownsville. Enchem America officials announced that the company will invest \$152.5 million to establish electrolyte manufacturing operations. The project will create 190 new jobs in a Tier-4, At-Risk County.³
- *Brownsville Electric Authority*, the *Tennessee Valley Authority (TVA)*, *Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation (TDEC)*, and *Seven States Power Corporation* recently held a ribbon-cutting for a new electric vehicle fast charging station with four fast chargers at the West Tennessee Delta Heritage Center and Tina Turner Museum in Brownsville. The charging station is part of the Fast Charge TN Network and is the first fast charger between Jackson and Memphis off Interstate 40.⁴

Henry

- *Paris Board of Public Utilities (Paris BPU)* operates a small electric vehicle fleet and maintains several EV charging stations.

¹ Biden-Harris Administration announces nearly \$1B in awards for clean school buses across the nation as part of Investing in America Agenda. U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. (January 8, 2024). <https://www.epa.gov/newsreleases/biden-harris-administration-announces-nearly-1b-awards-clean-school-buses-across>

² Wayland, M. (March 24, 2023). Ford plans to build 500,000 EVs annually at its \$5.6 billion Tennessee campus. *CNBC*. <https://www.cnbc.com/2023/03/24/ford-tennessee-campus-ev-capacity.html>

³ Tennessee Department of Economic and Community Development. (July 6, 2023). *Governor Lee, Commissioner McWhorter Announce Enchem America Inc. to Locate US Manufacturing Operations in Brownsville*. <https://tnecd.com/news/governor-lee-commissioner-mcwhorter-announce-enchem-america-inc-to-locate-us-manufacturing-operations-in-brownsville/>

⁴ Person, S. (September 8, 2023). *Electric Vehicle Charging Station Installed in Brownsville*. *WBBJ TV*. <https://www.wbbjtv.com/2023/09/07/electric-vehicle-charging-station-installed-in-brownsville/>

- The *City of Paris, Paris BPU, TDEC, TVA, and Seven States Power Corporation* recently held a ribbon-cutting at 109 South Fentress St. in downtown Paris. Part of the Fast Charge TN Network, the chargers will serve travelers along Highway 641 North and South and Highway 79.⁵

Madison

- *Drive Electric Tennessee* is working with *Ford Motor Company* to create two EV enthusiast club chapters in the West Tennessee region (i.e.: Drive Electric Greater Hatchie).
- *6K Energy* is investing \$200 million in its PlusCAM factory in Jackson. The full-scale battery material manufacturing plant will create 230 jobs and is scheduled to open in the third quarter of 2024. 6K Energy plans to show its commitment to the community by hiring employees from all walks of life. Veterans, disabled, diverse, and disadvantaged individuals will comprise an estimated 40% of the workforce.⁶

McNairy

- *McNairy County Schools* plan to adopt electric school buses.

Tipton

- *EOS Linx*, owner and operator of a solar-supported EV charging network, is partnering with *Seven States Power Corporation* to provide public EV charging in Atoka through the installation and operation of a DC fast charger and Level 2 EV chargers along U.S. Highway 51 South, a key Tennessee EV corridor.⁷

Wayne

- *Wayne County Schools* plan to adopt electric school buses.

Weakley

- *Drive Electric Tennessee* is working alongside the *Northwest Tennessee Development District* to host Northwest Tennessee EV Day in late February 2024 in Martin.

⁵ McFarlin, S. (September 13, 2023). *Driving Electric Made Easier as Paris Connects to Fast Charge TN*. Radio NWTN. <https://www.radionwtn.com/2023/09/12/driving-electric-made-easier-as-paris-connects-to-fast-charge-tn/>

⁶ Madlom, K. (November 22, 2023). *Electric Vehicles: Charging Forward in Tennessee*. Livability. <https://livability.com/tn/education-careers-opportunity/electric-vehicles-charging-forward-in-tennessee/>

⁷ *EOS Linx and Seven States Power Corporation to Add Electric Vehicle Chargers in Atoka*. (April 26, 2023). North American Clean Energy. <https://www.nacleanenergy.com/energy-storage/eos-linx-and-seven-states-power-corporation-to-add-dc-fast-chargers-in-atoka-tennessee-in-2023-1>



A Closer Look: The Economic Impacts of EV-Related Projects

According to the Tennessee Department of Economic and Community Development, the following benefits are currently being enjoyed by individuals and businesses across the Volunteer State.

- 191,000+ Electric Vehicles manufactured in Tennessee since 2013.
- \$16.2+ Billion in Capital Investment from EV projects since 2017.
- 200,000+ EVs projected on Tennessee roads by 2028.
- Tennessee is ranked #1 in the Southeast for EV manufacturing employment and investment.
- Four major OEMS are currently manufacturing in Tennessee.
- 12,300+ New Job Commitments since 2017.
- 20,800+ Tennesseans are employed by companies with EV operations.



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