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## Granite State Clean Cities Coalition (GSCCC) February/March 2019 Newsletter

*Hi everyone ~ I want to express my thanks and appreciation to our Stakeholders who contributed data for the 2018 Clean Cities Annual Report. The report has been completed and submitted – Hooray! Once it has been reviewed and approved, you can see the impact of our efforts at the Department of Energy Clean Cities Coalition Network webpage for New Hampshire located at this link: [CleanCities.energy.gov/GSCCC](http://CleanCities.energy.gov/GSCCC).*

*Thank you for your commitments to alternative fuels/vehicles and fuel efficiency strategies. Next year I will be collecting information about the projects and initiatives that have taken place in 2019. That said, I'd love to hear about your current alternative fuel efforts (either planned or in place) and whether or not I (our Coalition) can be of assistance – check out this site for some examples of Clean Cities tools and resources: [afd.energy.gov](http://afd.energy.gov). I look forward to hearing from you!*  
~Jessica

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**\*\*\*Funding Application Assistance: On behalf of the Coalition, I'm here to help answer any questions, assist**

**with project planning and provide support for your applications – let me know what you need, if I can help or how I can connect you with assistance!\*\*\***

**FUNDING OPPORTUNITY: U.S. Department of Transportation Announces \$85 Million Funding Opportunity for Technologically Advanced Transit Buses**

The U.S. Department of Transportation Federal Transit Administration (FTA) **today announced the opportunity** for eligible applicants to apply for up to \$85 million in competitive grant funds through FTA's **Low or No Emission (Low-No) Bus Program**. The Low-No Program helps project sponsors purchase or lease low or no emission vehicles that use advanced technologies for transit revenue operations, including related equipment or facilities.

Instructions for applying can be found on FTA's website at **<http://transit.dot.gov/howtoapply>** and in the "FIND" module of **GRANTS.GOV**. The funding opportunity ID is FTA-2019-002-TPM-LowNo. Complete proposals must be submitted electronically through the **GRANTS.GOV** "APPLY" function by May 14, 2019. The Notice of funding Opportunity was made public in the Federal Register on Wednesday, March 20, 2019.

For more information, please see the following links:

**[Low or No Emission Bus Program announcement](#)**

**[Low or No Emission \(Low-No\) Bus Program](#)**

**[How to Apply](#)**

Please feel free to call or email [Jessica.Wilcox@des.nh.gov](mailto:Jessica.Wilcox@des.nh.gov) if you have any questions.

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**EVENTS CALENDAR:**

**April 23-26, 2019 – Advanced Clean Transportation Expo Conference — As a member of the 2019 Planning Committee, I'd like to share the link for GSCCC Stakeholders to receive a \$50.00 registration discount!**

**April 2019 – Drive Electric Earth Day** – The first annual Drive Electric Earth Day will be held during April 2019 with events across the United States celebrating the many benefits of electric vehicles, including cleaner air, a smoother ride and great convenience. Visit the link above to learn more, register for an EV event, or create an event in your community.

**September 14-22, 2019 – National Drive Electric Week 2019** – National Drive Electric Week is a nationwide celebration to heighten awareness of today's widespread availability of

plug-in vehicles and highlight the benefits of all-electric and plug-in hybrid-electric cars, trucks, motorcycles, and more. Interested in organizing or helping with an event? Visit the [events page](#) for more information.

**October 7, 2019 - [AltWheels Fleet Day](#) - As a member of the Advisory Committee for this year's event, I'd like to remind everyone that it's never too early to register. Click this link to access the [Reservation Form](#) and this link for the [Sponsor Proposal](#).**

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**Becoming a GSCCC Stakeholder: *Why, Who, How ...***

***Did you know that the Granite State Clean Cities Coalition (GSCCC) is supported by over 130 private and public fleets and businesses working toward reducing fuel consumption in their fleets?***

***Did you know that there is no fee or cost to be a stakeholder/member?***

Coalition members share a deep concern for New Hampshire air quality, and support the goals of reducing dependence on foreign oil through the use of domestically produced, cleaner burning alternative fuels (e.g. biodiesel, compressed natural gas, propane Autogas, etc.), advanced technology vehicles (e.g. electric & hybrid), and other fuel reduction strategies.

***Who are Clean Cities Coalition Stakeholders?*** They (generally) are:

- Federal, state and local governments, agencies and departments – This can include, for example, transportation, general services, environmental and parks and recreation departments, or the government as a whole.
- Utilities and other alternative fuel providers, including distributors, wholesalers and retailers
- Alternative fuel vehicle and engine manufacturers
- Vehicle dealerships, fueling and recharging equipment suppliers
- Private light, medium and heavy-duty fleets, e.g., taxis, delivery fleets, private refuse haulers
- School districts
- Airports and port authorities
- Transit agencies
- Colleges and universities
- Environmental organizations
- Local businesses
- Other stakeholders

**Interested in becoming an official GSCCC**

**Stakeholder?** It's very simple ... do you support/agree with any of the following statements?

- My organization/business is committed to petroleum reduction in transportation to reduce vehicle emissions and increase overall energy security.
- My organization/business commits to incorporating the use of alternative fuels in our fleet to the extent feasible.
- My organization/business will assist the GSCCC in achieving its goals of promoting alternative fuels and reducing emissions by supporting legislation encouraging the use of alternative fuels, advanced technology vehicles and other Clean Cities strategies.
- My organization/business commits to supporting the development of refueling, service and/or maintenance facilities for alternative fuel vehicles in the State of New Hampshire.

***If you answered "yes" to any of the above, please consider joining us.*** Click this link for the **GSCCC Partnership Agreement** and ***help grow our Coalition!***

We welcome new members ... ***are you on the list?***

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**Alternative Fuel Spotlight: "Diesel Prices Destined to Increase"**

Todd Mouw, Vice President of sales and marketing for ROUSH CleanTech, recently shared the following article:

"The NTEA Work Truck Show, which is the largest commercial truck event in the country, just finished up. It's clear that the message of reduced complexity, decreased emissions and much lower total cost of ownership with propane autogas is resonating.

One of the trends that fleet decision makers continue to worry about is the unpredictability of diesel prices. For example, in January of 2020, the marine industry will be forced to reduce the sulfur content of the diesel fuel they consume — meaning they will draw from the same supply of ultra-low sulfur diesel (ULSD) that our on-road fleets do. The Energy Information Administration has published an update to its short-term energy outlook, which you can find **here**. This emerging story will drive diesel costs up and create even more uncertainty in the market.

That's why relying on a domestically produced fuel becomes even more important. More than 90 percent of the United States propane autogas supply is produced domestically, with an additional 7 percent from Canada. Almost 75 percent of

propane used in the U.S. comes from natural gas refining, and the remaining comes from petroleum during the refining process. Our nation has an abundance which will drive price stability for many years to come. In fact, the U.S. exports propane. In 2017, the United States — the world's largest exporter of propane — exported 905,000 barrels per day.

Fueling with American-made propane autogas helps the nation's energy security goals, reduces harmful emissions and will drive a significant reduction in a fleet's cost per mile.

To learn more about ROUSH CleanTech's alternative-fuel vehicle technology that powers school buses and Ford commercial vehicles, please visit [www.roushcleantech.com](http://www.roushcleantech.com).

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**You might also be interested in ...**

**[Biodiesel Drives the Work Truck Industry](#)**

**[EV Procurement: A Culture Shift for Light-Duty Fleets in 2019](#)**

**[NREL Funds Slew of Natural Gas Vehicle Technology Projects](#)**

**[What is Electricity and What are its Risks as a Fuel?](#)**

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**Social Media Appeal:** Please help us to grow our following and \*BONUS\* you get to stay connected to the Granite State Clean Cities Coalition (GSCCC) ... Get into the alt fuel/advanced tech vehicle loop, visit our [Facebook page](#) and click the link to "LIKE" us – 212 likes and counting! Also, NHDES, which houses GSCCC, is now on [Facebook](#). Please take a moment to check out and "LIKE" both of our pages. We post information about events, trainings, workshops, publications, and more. You can also follow GSCCC & NHDES on [Twitter](#) ([@GS Clean Cities](#) and [@NHDES](#)) and [YouTube](#). If you have any questions or suggestions for content, please contact GSCCC at [jessica.wilcox@des.nh.gov](mailto:jessica.wilcox@des.nh.gov) or NHDES at [socialmedia@des.nh.gov](mailto:socialmedia@des.nh.gov).

***Thank you for reading – if there's something you'd like to see, say or share, drop me a line:***

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