



2026 ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING STATION REBATE



PROGRAM GUIDE

Electric Vehicle Charging Stations - Level 2 or 3

Electrical Wiring, Permits, Inspections

Any customer improvements to a home or business's electrical wiring, and any needed Winnetka Electric Utility improvements to provide power to a new electric vehicle charging system are done at the expense of the customer. A Village of Winnetka Building Permit, accompanied by a completed Residential Load Calculation Worksheet will be required for any wiring upgrades.

A reputable electrical contractor or electrician will need to inspect your home's electrical wiring to assess what impact the electric vehicle charging system may have on the existing electrical wiring. Depending upon the age and size of your home's electrical system and the make and model of the vehicle you plan to purchase, significant electrical wiring upgrades may be needed, which are the customer's responsibility.

You must obtain a building permit and your system must pass an electrical inspection to be eligible for the incentive. For more information, [visit our Building Permit Applications web page](#).

Incentive Information

All EV Charger incentive rebates are *up to \$500 and limited to 50% of your total costs* (charger purchase price and installation) excluding tax, discounts, permit costs, and ineligible costs. A rebate check in the amount listed above will be mailed to the account address. Limit 1 award per household.

All incentives will end for the year when budgeted funds are awarded. There will be no waiting list. Only projects purchased on or after January 1 of the new funding year will be eligible for an incentive award.

Requirements and Conditions:

- EV Charger must be Level 2 (powered at 240V AC) or Level 3 (converts 480V 3-phase power to DC).
- EV Charging system must pass a Village of Winnetka final electrical inspection.
- Used or refurbished EV Chargers do NOT qualify.
- EV Chargers that were gifted or won do NOT qualify.
- EV Chargers bundled with the vehicles purchase/lease or included in vehicle cost do NOT qualify. Installation cost may still be eligible if all other conditions are met.
- EV Charger must be hardwired to the electric service panel and demonstrate permanency.
- EV Charger must be connected to a Village of Winnetka electric meter.
- Applicant must be a Village of Winnetka electric utility customer in good standing with the electric utility.

100% completed applications with all required documentation must be submitted within six (6) months of installation.

Please review the Terms & Conditions below for the Village of Winnetka's Electric Vehicle Charging Station Incentive Program and confirm as part of your application.



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Electric Vehicle Charging Station Incentive Program General Terms & Conditions

Subject to funding available from the Village’s program, the Village of Winnetka Electric Utility will offer qualified customers rebates for a Level 2 or Level 3 EV charging station intended for either private use or for public use. Failure to comply with any of the foregoing requirements could result in the denial of any rebate awards.

For purposes of this program (definitions):

- A *Level 2 EV Charger* is defined as a “fast charging” station powered at 240V AC.
- A *Level 3 EV Charger* is defined as a “very fast charging” station that converts 480V 3-phase power to DC.
- “*Available for public use*” is defined as a charging station installed at a publicly accessible site and is made available for the use of the general public. At the discretion of the Village of Winnetka, employers who make a charging station available only to their employees or owners of multi-family dwellings who make the charging station available only to their tenants, may also be considered as making the charging stations “available for public use.” Similarly, EV charging stations that are solely for the use of Village of Winnetka vehicles may be considered “for public use.”

TERMS & CONDITIONS

APPLICATION

Please submit the following items with your signed application (PDF or JPG formats only):

- The Model # and Serial # of the charging system you purchased. **Please take a .jpeg or .pdf picture of the model # and serial # on the EV charger nameplate.** This is usually on the side, back, or bottom of the EV charger.
- Provide evidence that you purchased and installed a Level 2 or Level 3 Electric Vehicle Charging Station (not an adapter) to qualify for the rebate.
- **Paid, dated, and itemized** invoice for the EV charger installation with customer name and address.
- **Paid, dated, and itemized** invoice for the EV charger purchase.
- Documentation that your charging system has passed a final Village of Winnetka electric inspection.
- Rating capacity proof of the charging station unit’s safety certification by laboratory: Underwriters Laboratory (UL) or equivalent. **Please take a .jpeg or .pdf picture of the UL Rating on the EV charger nameplate.**

ELIGIBILITY

Applicant must be a Village of Winnetka electric utility customer in good standing with the electric utility.

Electric Vehicle Charger Restrictions

- EV chargers that do not fit the definition of Level 2 or Level 3 do not qualify.
- EV chargers that do not pass the Village of Winnetka inspection do not qualify.
- EV chargers owned by people or businesses that are customers but are not in good standing with the Village of Winnetka Electric Utility or who are otherwise negligent on obligations to the municipality do not qualify.
- EV chargers that are used or refurbished do not qualify.
- EV chargers that are gifted or won as part of a raffle or giveaway do not qualify.
- EV chargers that are bundled with the purchase or lease of a vehicle or are otherwise included in the price of a vehicle do not qualify.



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INSTALLATION REQUIREMENTS

- The Village of Winnetka Electric Utility requires a qualified electrician install a Level 2 or a Level 3 charger.
- EV Charging system must pass a Village of Winnetka final electrical inspection.
- EV Charger must be hardwired to the electric service panel and demonstrate permanency.
- EV Charger must be connected to a Village of Winnetka electric meter.
- All Village of Winnetka, county, state government, property owner, or homeowners' association rules, codes and regulations must be complied with during the installation and use of the EV charging station.
- Charging Station must support Open Charge Point Protocol (OCPP).

APPROVAL AND VERIFICATION

Village of Winnetka Electric Utility reserves the right to audit your installation. By signing this rebate application form, you agree, with reasonable notice, to provide the Village of Winnetka Electric Utility with access to the installation during normal business hours or as otherwise agreed between you and the Village of Winnetka Electric Utility. If the field audit discovers the charging station has not been installed as indicated on this rebate application, then the customer's award will be rescinded.

REBATE AMOUNTS

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PAYMENT

Please allow six (6) weeks for processing. Payment processing may take longer if information is missing on the application. Please call 847-716-3515 if you have any questions about your rebate credit.

ADDITIONAL TERMS

The Village of Winnetka is not responsible for the failure of installed equipment.

The Village of Winnetka and the Village of Winnetka Electric Utility are not a party to any sales transaction between you and the EV charging station manufacturer/dealer or installer. The Village of Winnetka and the Village of Winnetka Electric Utility liability and responsibility in the Village of Winnetka Electric Utility Electric Vehicle Charging Station Program shall be strictly limited to the making of certain rebate payments for eligible equipment. Neither the Village of Winnetka nor the Village of Winnetka Electric Utility makes or provides – and specifically disclaims – any and all representations, warranties, covenants or guarantees whatsoever, express or implied, in connection with the electric vehicle charging station or the program itself, including, without limitation, the implied warranties of merchantability and fitness for a particular purpose. Neither the Village of Winnetka nor the Village of Winnetka Electric Utility shall in any way be liable or responsible for any equipment installed by – or for any act of omission of – any other entity or individual, including, without limitation, the equipment manufacturer or any electrician, technician, or other service provider.