

Electric Vehicle Rebates

TMLP 2nd Drive Rebate Is Even Better!

TMLP has enhanced its used EV 2nd Drive program to encourage customers to purchase a pre-owned Battery Electric Vehicle (BEV) or a Plug-in Hybrid Electric Vehicle (PHEV). TMLP received a Demonstration of Energy and Efficiency Developments (DEED) program grant from the American Public Power Association (APPA) to help fund the 2nd Drive rebate program.

As part of this enhanced program, used EVs (BEVs & PHEVs) under \$22,500 may qualify for a rebate. The rebate program, which was scheduled to expire after December 31, 2021, has been extended to December 31, 2023 or when funds are expended.

The enhanced rebates include:

- Battery Electric Vehicles (BEVs) are rebated \$1,250 from TMLP with a matching rebate of \$1,250 from DEED.
- Plug-in Hybrid Electric Vehicles (PHEVs) are rebated \$750 from TMLP with a DEED matching rebate of \$750.

To qualify, the purchase must meet the following criteria:

- Vehicle must be a plug in electric (BEV or PHEV), light duty, highway capable, passenger vehicle purchased from a licensed auto dealer.
- Vehicle must be for personal and not business use.
- Applicant must be an active TMLP residential customer and register the car at the same address as the TMLP residential account.
- To qualify for a rebate, the purchase price must be under \$22,500 after the incentive is applied.
- Vehicle must not have had more than two (2) previous owners.
- Customers must be in good standing with TMLP.

A list of qualified used vehicles that are available from local dealers can be downloaded at [2ndDrive-ev.ene.org](https://www.tmlp.com/go-green/residential-ev-program/). A list of participating dealers is also available on the site. Additional information about TMLP's new and used EV rebate program can be found on the website <https://www.tmlp.com/go-green/residential-ev-program/>.

TMLP customers can obtain additional information about EVs, charging, and incentives by contacting ENE at 833-443-8363 or ev@ene.org.

Thank you for Participating in Public Power Week Activities!

For the second year, TMLP held its annual Public Power Week celebration virtually for the safety of staff and customers. This year's celebration included contests for customers, videos created by TMLP staff and fun activities for kids of all ages.

"A big thank you to the many TMLP customers who visited the website and participated in the activities and watched the informational videos prepared by our staff," General Manager Kenneth Goulart said. "We look forward to next year when we can hopefully celebrate public power in person."

TMLP is one of more than 2,000 customer-owned electric utilities in the nation that celebrates low rates, responsibility and responsiveness to customers and the environment, local ownership and control, and community involvement during Public Power Week.

Customers can visit the website www.tmlp.com, or the TMLP Facebook page throughout the year to learn about TMLP programs, rebate opportunities and ways to save energy.

TMLP earns SEP and RP3 Diamond Designation from APPA

TMLP is one of only 94 public power utilities in the country that have been awarded the Smart Energy Provider (SEP) designation in 2021 by the American Public Power Association (APPA). This is the second time TMLP has been recognized with the best practices designation that shows commitment to and proficiency in energy efficiency, distributed generation, renewable energy, and environmental initiatives.

The Smart Energy program bestows national recognition of a utility's efforts to incorporate energy efficiencies and sustainability while providing affordable electric service. Achieving SEP designation helps public power utilities like TMLP to benchmark and evaluate their work on these topics against a set of industry best practices. SEP designation recipients are selected by an expert panel of public power representatives of diverse backgrounds and regions with substantial industry expertise in the smart energy program disciplines.

The prestigious SEP designation is the second industry award TMLP has received this year for operational excellence. APPA also recognized TMLP as a Diamond Level Reliable Public Power Provider (RP3) for organizational and operational excellence in its electric operations. The three-year designation recognizes utilities that demonstrate high proficiency in reliability, safety, workforce development, and system improvement. Less than 300 of the more than 2,000 public power utilities hold a RP3 designation.

According to APPA's RP3 Review Panel, utilities receiving the RP3 designation have proven their commitment to running a top-notch public power utility by implementing industry best practices including sound business practices and a utility-wide commitment to safe and reliable delivery of electricity.

"TMLP is extremely proud and honored that our utility has been recognized again by the electric industry and our peers for operational excellence and smart energy initiatives," TMLP General Manager Kenneth Goulart said. "We are extremely proud of our team for this well-deserved recognition, especially following a year of challenges posed by the global pandemic."

TMLP Energy Efficient Appliance Rebate Incentive Program Reminder

If you purchased a qualified energy efficient ENERGY STAR appliance between January 1st and December 31st, 2021, your application must be submitted by January 31, 2022, to be eligible to receive a rebate under the 2021 program. Applications and accompanying documentation received after January 31, 2022, will not be honored for 2021 purchases.

Only ENERGY STAR appliances are eligible for a rebate and rebates are limited to one ENERGY STAR appliance purchase per household per calendar year. Appliances that may qualify will have the ENERGY STAR logo on the yellow Energy Guide label that is attached to the appliance. A list of qualifying appliances can be obtained at <http://www.energystar.gov/products/>.

A copy of all sales receipts is required to receive an incentive rebate. Customers must have had an active residential electric account with TMLP for at least six months and have a zero balance (with no arrears) for at least six months.

The appliance must be installed at the account location and TMLP reserves the right to inspect the installation on the premises.

TMLP's 2021 appliance rebate program includes battery lawn mowers, both push and walk behind, battery riding lawn mower, clothes washers, dehumidifiers, dishwashers, ductless mini-split heat pumps, electric clothes dryers, electric heat pump water heaters, ground source heat pumps, refrigerators, room air conditioners, programmable and smart Wi-Fi enabled thermostats. There is a maximum of two thermostats.

For a list of qualified ENERGY STAR appliances and the rebate amounts, visit the website www.tmlp.com. Information on the 2022 program can also be obtained on the website.

Email sonjabritland@tmlp.com with comments or questions regarding this newsletter.



Stay Warm But Do It Wisely!

Winter is here ... that means cold temperatures and the increased use of your heating system. Keeping warm doesn't have to mean exorbitantly high energy bills if you make a few simple adjustments to your daily life.

Lower your thermostat to 68° when you're away or asleep. You could save up to 10% a year on your heating and cooling bill by setting your temperature back 7°-10°. See what temperature you're comfortable with by lowering it a few degrees at a time.

Buy a programmable thermostat to save money. You might even qualify for a TMLP rebate!

If you can, buy a smart thermostat. You'll have more energy-saving options to control your HVAC system from anywhere, even with your smartphone.

Clean or change your filters on a regular basis to keep your HVAC system working efficiently. Your local hardware store can help you choose the best filters for your system.

Make sure your air vents aren't blocked by furniture.

If you have hardwood floors, buy an inexpensive scatter rug. They'll help keep your floors warm.

Make sure that you aren't heating uninsulated rooms like garages and crawlspaces.

Get a tune up for your heating system. It's not too late to make sure it's working efficiently.

If you can feel cold air seeping into your house through gaps in your windows and doors, try weather stripping or replacing the seals. An easy way to check is to put a dollar between the door or window and the seal and close it. If it comes out easily, it's time to replace the seal.

Unplug unused electronics that use standby power. This phantom energy may be costing you \$100 a year. Surge protectors turn electronics off and stop them from using standby power.

The easiest thing to do is open the drapes and blinds when the sun is out to warm your home during the day and close them at night for added insulation.

Sign up for a Free Home Energy Audit!
Call 1-888-772-4242



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