

# LIGHT READING TMLP Spring 2020

## Electric Vehicle Rebates

### Interested In Buying A Used EV?

If you're looking to buy a used plug-in electric vehicle (EV) you may qualify for a \$900 "cash on the hood" rebate!

TMLP is working with Energy New England (ENE), its energy services partner, to promote the purchase of pre-owned Electric Vehicles (EVs). TMLP, thru ENE, recently received a Demonstration of Energy and Efficiency Developments (DEED) program grant from the American Public Power Association (APPA) to help fund the 2nd Drive program.

Under the program, qualified applicants can receive the \$900 rebate toward the purchase of an electric vehicle from participating local car dealers. A list of qualified used vehicles that are available from local dealers can be downloaded at [2ndDrive-ev.ene.org](http://2ndDrive-ev.ene.org). A list of participating dealers is also available on the site.

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 a TMLP residential customer and register the car at the same address as the TMLP residential account.
- For the instant rebate, purchase price must be under \$15,000 after the incentive is applied. For after purchase rebate, the net sale price before taxes and fees must be no more than \$15,899.
- Vehicle must not have had more than 2 previous owners.
- Customers must be in good standing with TMLP.
- Vehicle purchase occurs between 2/15/20 and 12/31/20

TMLP customers can obtain additional information about EVs, charging, and incentives by contacting ENE at [833-443-8363](tel:833-443-8363) or [ev@ene.org](mailto:ev@ene.org).

### 90 Cents a "Gallon" Club for off-peak charging

Qualified residential customers can enroll in the program to receive a 90 cents/gallon equivalent for electric charging of their EV overnight or on weekends.

The program includes a \$50 sign-up bonus and an ongoing \$10/month bill credit for residential customers who sign up to charge their electric vehicle between 9 p.m. to 9 a.m. weekdays and any time on weekends. Please note that TMLP reserves the right to adjust the program hours for off-peak charging subject to the needs of the electric distribution infrastructure.

To be eligible:

- (1) Maximum enrollment of two EV's per household.
- (2) TMLP residential electric account must be at least 6 months old and have zero balance (no arrears).
- (3) TMLP will conduct an engineering review.
- (4) Residential customer must own or lease a battery electric vehicle (BEV) that runs exclusively on electricity, or a plug-in hybrid electric vehicle (PHEV) that runs on electricity but can switch to gas/electric hybrid mode.
- (5) A Level 1 or Level 2 charger must be used.

To enroll now or get more information, fill out our contact form: <https://tmlp-ev.ene.org/contact/>

The \$0.90 a gallon of gasoline equivalent is based on \$10 a month bill credit and 1,000 miles of electric driving per month. Customers must sign an EV Off-Peak Charging Agreement. Rebate qualification pending engineering approval.

For information about the Taunton Drive Electric programs contact [1-833-44-EV-ENE \(1-833-443-8363\)](tel:1-833-44-EV-ENE) or [ev@ene.org](mailto:ev@ene.org).

### Taunton Drives Electric

In addition to the 2nd Drive Program, TMLP customers can receive incentives and rebates on the purchase of an electric vehicle, a bill credit of up to \$10 a month for off-peak charging, and/or a rebate of up to \$300 on the purchase and installation of a Level 2 charger as part of the ongoing Taunton Drives Electric program.

#### Next Drive Rebate

TMLP Drives Electric offers a \$450 customer rebate for the purchase of a new or used battery electric vehicle (BEV) or a plug-in hybrid electric vehicle (PHEV).<sup>\*</sup> Cannot be combined with 2nd Drive program. Only 1 rebate per EV purchase.

#### Level 2 Charging Rebate

Taxpayers again qualify for a 30% Federal rebate (up to \$1,000) on costs associated with the installation of an EV charging station through 12/31/2020. Additional information on the Federal rebate can be obtained at [www.irs.gov/forms-pubs/about-form-8911](http://www.irs.gov/forms-pubs/about-form-8911)

TMLP Drives Electric offers a rebate of up to \$300 to help offset the cost of the purchase and installation of a Level 2 charger after enrolling in the 90 Cents a "Gallon" Club for off-peak charging.

The rebate may be used to pay for a licensed electrician's services and/or electrical and charging equipment, in order to install one or more of the following charging system components: (1) a 240 volt wiring circuit with a 50 amp circuit breaker, (2) a NEMA 14-50 240V outlet, (3) a Level 2 home charging station equipment.

The charger must be installed at the address listed on the TMLP account number and the EV registration address must match address associated with TMLP account listed on the rebate application.

To be eligible:

- (1) Customers must have an active residential electric account with the TMLP for at least 6 months and have a zero balance (with no arrears) for at least 6 months.
- (2) ONE Level 2 Charger rebate per household.
- (3) Level 2 Charger must be installed at the account location.
- (4) Purchases must be made by December 31, 2020; applications for 2020 purchases will be accepted through Jan. 31, 2021.
- (5) TMLP reserves the right to confirm the installation at the account address.
- (6) This offer is for a limited time only, subject to availability of funds.
- (7) Rebate will appear as a bill credit. Customers should allow 8-10 weeks for processing.



### From The Taunton Public Schools:

#### Taunton Public Schools Kindergarten Registration

- o Bennett Elementary School  
47 North Walker Street, Taunton  
April 29, 2020 6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
- o Chamberlain Elementary  
480 Norton Avenue, Taunton  
May 12, 2020 4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.
- o Mulcahey Elementary School  
28 Clifford Street, Taunton  
April 6, 2020 6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
- o Galligan Elementary  
15 Sheridan Street, Taunton  
April 7, 2020 4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.
- o Hopewell Elementary School  
16 Monroe Street, Taunton  
April 14, 2020 5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.
- o Elizabeth Pole Elementary School  
215 Harris Street, Taunton  
May 7, 2020 4:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.
- o East Taunton Elementary School  
58R Stevens Street, E. Taunton  
May 18, 2020 5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

**Please call 508-844-5852 for information about your neighborhood school and the paperwork you will need to register**

#### Open Day Registration at All Sites:

April 1 - 17, 2020 9:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.  
April 27-30, 2020 9:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

**Open Saturday Registration:  
Family Welcome Center, 60 Williams St.  
March 14, 2020 12:00 - 3:00 p.m.**

Email [sonjabritland@tmlp.com](mailto:sonjabritland@tmlp.com) with comments or questions regarding this newsletter.



### Save Energy This Spring!

- Spring is a great time to replace your inefficient air conditioner with a new, more efficient model. Before you make our purchase, make sure the one you plan to buy is the right size to meet your needs. And remember, always look for the Energy Star label!
- Now is also the best time to weather-strip, seal, and caulk leaky doors and windows. Up to 20% of cooled air moving through your home could be leaking into spaces you don't want cooled, wasting energy and money.
- Turn off any appliances, light and equipment when you're not using them. This is probably the easiest thing you can do that will reduce your energy costs.

Remember to check our website, [tmlp.com](http://tmlp.com), for energy efficiency rebates!

### Look for eCommunications!

TMLP will launch its residential eNewsletter following the unveiling of the new and improved website [tmlp.com](http://tmlp.com). Residential customers will receive a quarterly newsletter with articles of interest and tips around electricity. There will also be a link to this Light Reading newsletter on their website with the latest TMLP news!

In addition to the eNewsletter, TMLP will introduce a Welcome Series on the website for new customers who sign up for TMLP services. The series of informative emails will give new customers all the information they will need to know about TMLP.

### TMLP Earns a Smart Energy Provider Designation from APPA

TMLP was recently recognized by the American Public Power Association (APPA) with a Smart Energy Provider (SEP) designation. TMLP is one of only 67 public power utilities in the country that have been awarded the designation.

The SEP is a best practices designation for utilities that show commitment to and proficiency in energy efficiency, distributed generation, renewable energy, and environmental initiatives. According to APPA, the Smart Energy program provides national recognition of utility 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.

### Mark Your Calendars for the TMLP Open House

TMLP is making preparations for the annual Public Power Week Open House, which is scheduled to be held on Saturday, October 3rd with a rain date of Sunday, October 4th at the 55 Weir Street office in Taunton.

Make sure to mark your calendar for this family-fun and family-friendly event!

### Thank You!

Thank you to all TMLP customers who participated in our recent customer satisfaction survey which began in late February and concluded in mid-March.

We appreciate your feedback and look forward to the results.

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



[www.tmlp.com](http://www.tmlp.com)



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Taunton, MA 02780

**Customer service for electric customers**  
**(508) 824-6976**

**Outage-related call**  
**(508) 824-3111**

**Administrative offices**  
**(508) 824-5844**

**Dig Safe issue**  
**(888) 344-7233**

**Office hours**  
**Monday through Friday**  
**7:30 a.m. until 4:30 p.m.**

**Payment locations**  
**33 Weir Street**  
**Our office is open**  
**Monday through Friday**

**Drop boxes**  
**33 and 55 Weir Street**  
**(to the left of the front door)**

**Trucchi's Supermarket**  
**53 Tremont Street**  
**534 County Street**

**TMLP Online 24-Hour**  
**Internet Outage Support**

**508-880-TMLP (8657)**

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**Peter Corr, Secretary**  
**Mark Blackwell, Sr.**

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**Kenneth Goulart**