

CCFC Projects & Activities Update

Fall 2015

Current & Past Projects

Mobile CARE Awards and SMART Fleet

Numerous CCFC stakeholders received awards and recognition at the North Carolina Clean Transportation Tour for their efforts in clean transportation and reducing the consumption of petroleum. Gaston County, Charlotte Mecklenburg Schools, City of Charlotte Solid Waste Services, City of Charlotte Fire Department, City of Charlotte, City of Concord, Piedmont Natural Gas, and UNC Charlotte were all recognized for their exemplary clean fuel efforts. Congratulations to all!



Clean Fuel Advanced Technology (CFAT) Program



CCFC recently learned of the 4th round of funding from the CFAT program. This project is funded through the Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) program, sponsored by and in partnership with the NC Clean Energy Technology Center. CCFC will use this funding to educate the public and

regional fleets on the air quality benefits of alternative fuels and clean transportation technologies. CFAT will also be used to assist with funding of alternative fuel projects across the region.

Southeast Alternative Fuel Demonstration Initiative

This project is funded by the Department of Energy's Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy (EERE) and is managed by the Triangle J Council of Governments. This program results in the deployment of advanced highway transportation technologies that reduce petroleum consumption and greenhouse gas emissions, while meeting or exceeding vehicle performance and cost expectations. With this funding, CCFC will be able to reach out to fleets to test alternative fuel vehicles and technologies, with the hope of future deployment of alternative fuels within these fleets.



Upcoming Conferences & Events

GAIN CNG Station Grand Opening Ceremony: November 19th

Creative Solutions for Thriving Communities Regional Conference: December 3rd

For more information about any of these events, please contact Erika Ruane at ERuane@centralina.org.

Announcements

Coalition Sustainability

With decreasing availability of federal grant dollars, it has become necessary that CCFC search for alternative funding sources in order to sustain the operations and mission of the Coalition. After careful consideration and research of Clean Cities Coalitions nationwide, CCFC has determined that a Stakeholder Dues and Benefits system is the most viable option for long-term coalition sustainability. CCFC will begin implementing the new Stakeholder Dues and Benefits system on January 1, 2016.

About the Centralina Clean Fuels Coalition

We support and promote the reduction of petroleum dependence, improvements in air quality, and increased alternative fuel usage through education, funding access, and public/private partnerships. We're a local effort of a North Carolina regional planning agency called the Centralina Council of Governments, which involves Anson, Cabarrus, Gaston, Iredell, Lincoln, Mecklenburg, Rowan, Stanly, and Union counties.

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