Investing in electric vehicles (EV) and related infrastructure is one way agencies can meet their efficiency goals. GSA Fleet supports this effort with a government-wide Blanket Purchase Agreement (BPA) for electric vehicle supply equipment (EVSE).

Installation services are not included under GSA’s BPA, so you will need to procure this separately. If located in a facility with onsite electrical or construction expertise, the lowest cost option may be for agency staff to conduct the site planning and installation work. If you do not have this expertise on hand some EVSE providers can provide estimated costs. You should always conduct your own market research and follow applicable FAR.

If your agency operates at a GSA managed facility, then you may be able to use existing contracts for architecture and engineering services to have charging stations installed at that location. Your agency should contact your GSA facilities contracting office for more information or contact David Holland (817-850-5532, david.e.holland@gsa.gov) or Judy Parnell (817-978-3849, judy.parnell@gsa.gov). See the GSA Order for guidance on how to install and operate EVSE infrastructure on a reimbursable basis in GSA facilities.

Two federal fee-for-service programs are also available to support site planning and installation:
- The Department of Transportation’s Volpe Center is recognized for transportation innovation and expertise.
- DOE’s Clean Cities Program, via their team of contractors: Technicalresponse@icf.com, provides technical support for workplace charging projects.

The Role of Electric Utility Companies in EVSE Deployment
No matter what installer or funding source your agency chooses, you should engage with your local electricity provider as early and often as possible. At the very least, the utility can tell you the electrical capacity at your location. It is good to know this information early in the site planning process to avoid delays and additional costs. In addition to providing general capacity support, utilities are promoting EVSE deployment. Agencies can utilize these sources to financially support EVSE for fleet and/or employee vehicles. This support may include:
- Discounted electricity rates
- EVSE leasing programs
- Site planning assistance
- Direct funding for EVSE purchase

If your location gets power through an area wide public utility contract with GSA, then EVSE support can be added to the pre-existing contract. Check if your facility has contract coverage here. For more information, please contact energy@gsa.gov.

Additional Installation & Station Incentives
Check what incentives are available in your state at PlugInAmerica.org. Incentives from local governments, sometimes open to federal workplaces, are also listed. These are subject to change, as local governments and utilities continue to roll out new programs. We recommend that you contact the utility or agency for the most up-to-date information and for possible enrollment in the various programs. If your local utility is not listed, it may still be worth contacting them to see if they offer any support in this rapidly evolving sector.

For more information, visit www.gsa.gov/evse. For GSA EV-related questions, please contact gsafleetafvteam@gsa.gov. (As of September, 2019)