

State Electric Vehicle Supply Equipment (EVSE) Grant Program



A partnership to expand Vermont's network of electric vehicle charging stations.



Overview

The Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) started the Electric Vehicle Supply Equipment (EVSE) grant program in 2014 with funding from the Department of Environmental Conservation, investing \$200,000 on 15 projects in designated downtowns and village centers. Since then, the number of registered EV's in Vermont has risen from 700 in 2014 to 3,288 in 2019 or a 369% increase in five years, signaling the need for a more robust EVSE network in the state.

In 2017, Volkswagen's settlement agreement provided Vermont \$2.8 million in funding to expand its network of electric vehicle charging stations. The program is administered by the Vermont Department of Housing and Community Development in coordination with the Vermont Department of Environmental Conservation, the Agency of Transportation, the Public Service Department, and the Department of Health. Grant proceeds result from settlements to partially resolve Volkswagen's violations of the Clean Air Act.

Implementation

In 2019, the EVSE grant program received 141 applications in two grant rounds, requesting over \$4M in funding. Thirty projects were awarded over \$1M in funding to install seventy-five Level 2 and five DC fast charge units located in state designated centers, highway corridors, public park and rides, major attractions and institutions, multi-family housing and workplaces.

The remaining \$1.7 million in VW funding, with an additional \$280,000 of VTrans funding, will support the installation of fast charge stations at priority locations on highway corridors helping to fill out geographic gaps in the EVSE network. Requests for proposals will be announced soon and expected to be awarded by late Spring 2020.

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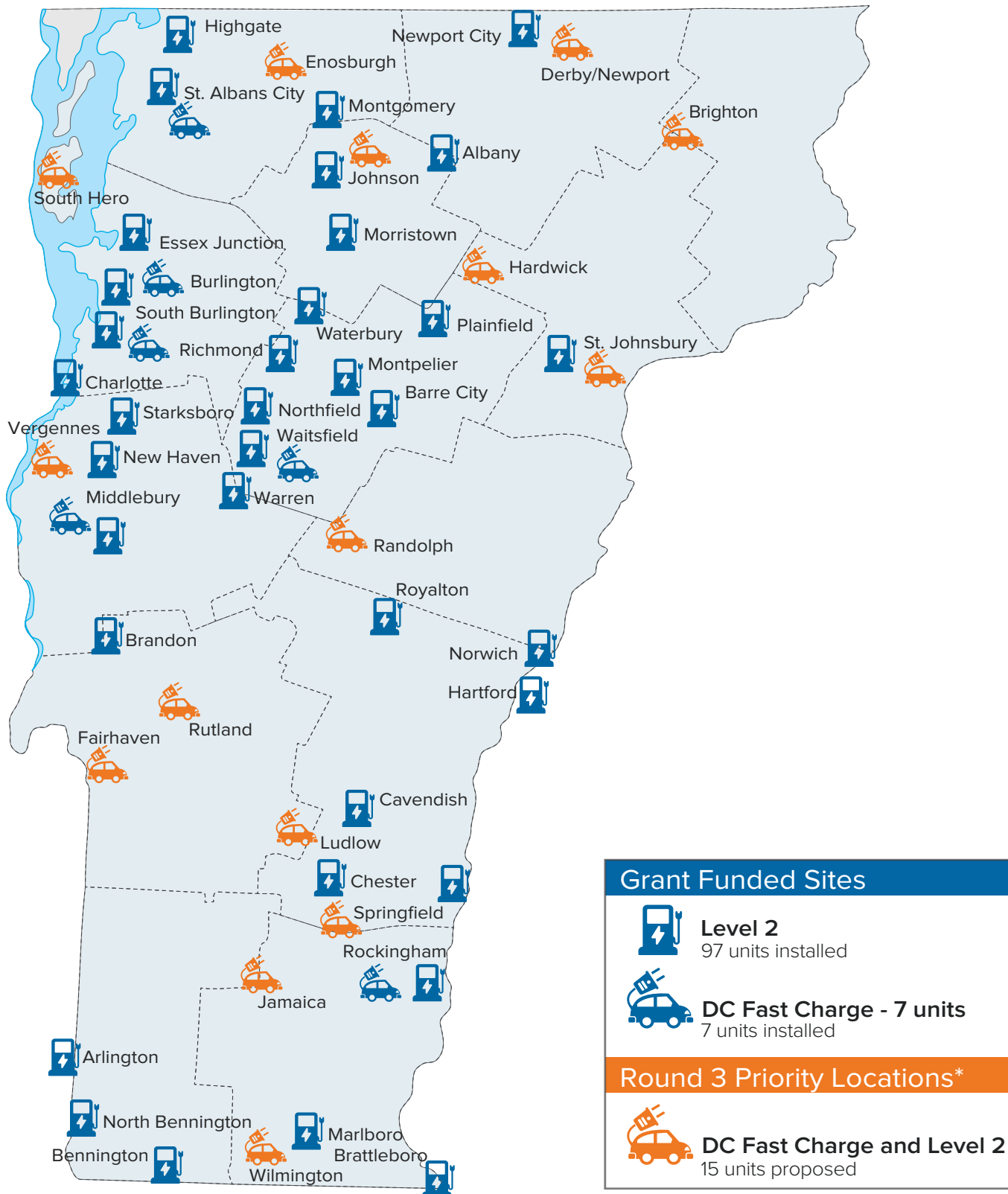
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State Investments in Electric Vehicle Supply Equipment



*Note: pending RFP response in Spring 2020

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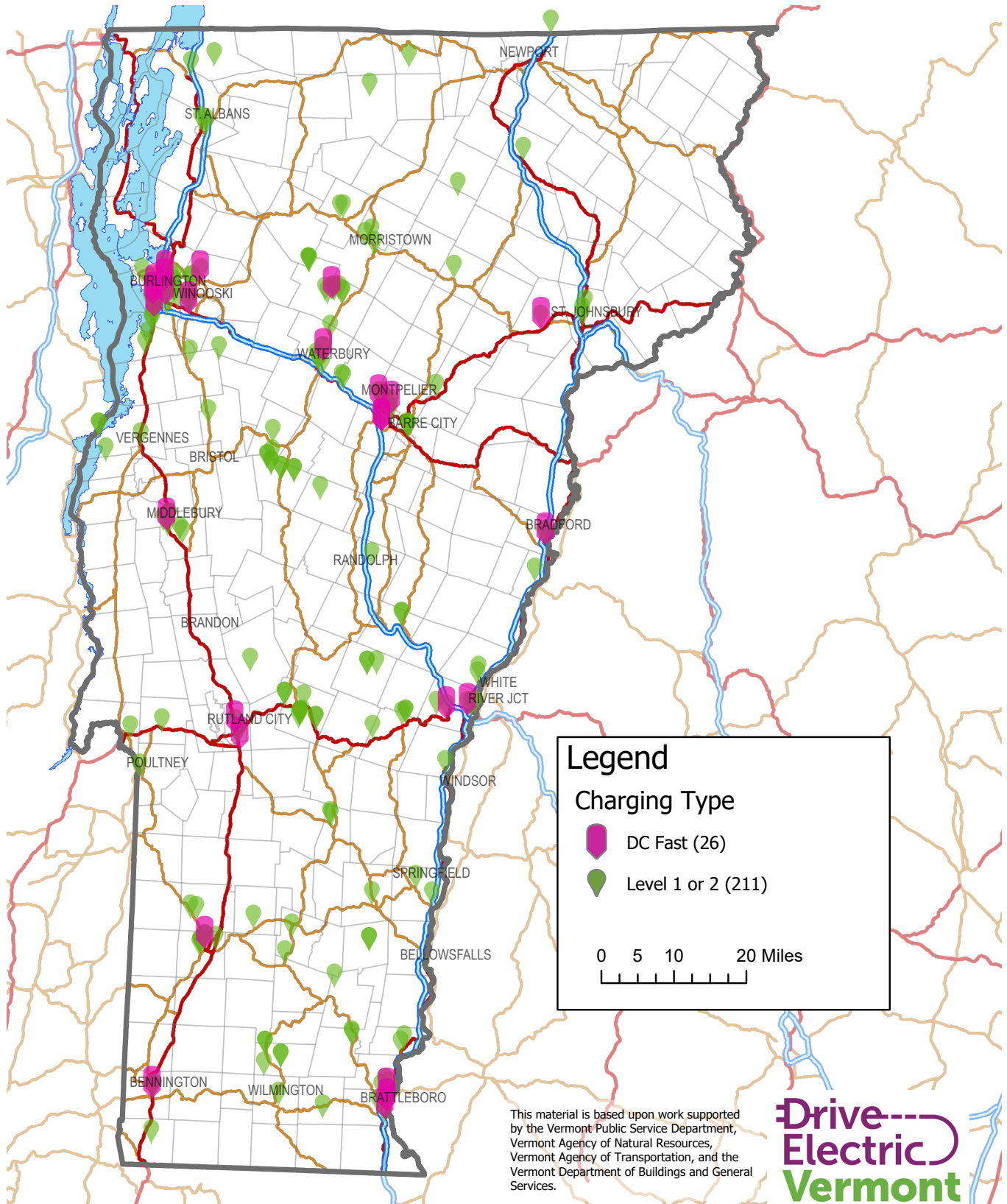




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Existing Public Electric Vehicle Charging Network*



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