



FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

On-Road Voucher Incentive Program

Helping California's fleet owners reduce pollution

The on-road Voucher Incentive Program (VIP) provides a streamlined approach to replace older, high-polluting heavy-duty vehicles with cleaner-than-required vehicles providing early or extra emission reductions. Funds for VIP projects are used to reduce some of the costs associated with replacing a vehicle.

How much VIP funding can a truck owner receive?

For truck replacements, voucher amounts range from \$20,000 to \$520,000 and depend on factors such as the miles traveled per year, the weight class of the old vehicle, a certified zero-emission standard replacement vehicle, located within a community with a priority population, and whether the replacement vehicle is new or used. Funding also depends on the future compliance date to replace the vehicle. The fleet must currently be compliant with all applicable federal, state, and local air quality rules and regulations. More information can be found on the [On-Road Heavy-Duty Voucher Incentive Program](#) webpage in Appendix O of the VIP Guidelines.

Who can take advantage of VIP?

Eligible applicants must meet all of the following criteria:

- The fleet is currently compliant with all applicable federal, state, and local air quality rules and regulations;
- Fleets of ten or fewer on-road heavy-duty diesel or alternative fuel vehicles;
- Own a truck equipped with a diesel or alternative fuel engine with an engine model year 6 years or older to the current calendar year;
- Truck must be owned by the applicant and have been registered and operated in California for two 12-month periods out of the previous 30 months;
 - Partial registration of 8 months supplemented with documentation demonstrating operation in the previous 24 months may still be eligible;
 - For seasonal vehicles, partial registration for three to six continuous months per 12-month period in the last 30 months may still be eligible;
- Truck must be registered with a gross vehicle weight rating greater than 14,000 pounds; and
- At least 75 percent of the miles traveled, or fuel consumed, during each 12-month period in the last 30 months must have been in California.
- Note: Some local requirements may apply.

How is VIP funding available?

VIP is funded with Carl Moyer program funds by local air district discretion. Not all air districts implement VIP and those that do may open and close their programs at different times of the year. Contact a participating air district for more details.



Where can someone apply for VIP funding?

Contact a participating Air District or dealership to see if funding is available or if local requirements apply. Districts currently participating in VIP:

- [South Coast Air Quality Management District](#)
- [Bay Area Air Quality Management District](#)
- [North Coast Unified Air Quality Management District](#)
- [San Diego County Air Pollution Control District](#)
- [Siskiyou County Air Pollution Control District](#)
- [San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District](#)
- [Butte County Air Quality Management District](#)

Air Districts may choose to implement VIP in your local area at any time. Please check with your local air district if the program is available in your area by visiting <https://ww2.arb.ca.gov/california-air-districts>.

Visit <https://ww2.arb.ca.gov/participating-dealerships-voucher-incentive-program> for a list of some participating dealerships. Please contact your local participating Air District for more participating dealerships in your area.

For more information please email the CARB Diesel Hotline at 8666diesel@arb.ca.gov or call 1-866-6DIESEL or 1 (866) 634-3735.

Note: Truck owners may be eligible to combine VIP funding with CARB's Hybrid and Zero-Emission Truck and Bus Voucher Incentive Project (HVIP) and/or CARB's loan guarantee program. For more information, go to [The Truckstop webpage](https://ww2.arb.ca.gov/sites/default/files/truckstop/azregs/fa_resources.html) at https://ww2.arb.ca.gov/sites/default/files/truckstop/azregs/fa_resources.html.

What replacement vehicles are eligible for VIP in 2023?

Eligible replacement vehicles must be purchased at a participating dealership and include the following:

- New vehicle with a California certified engine to zero-emission standard

What is the process for applying for funds?

- The buyer fills out and submits a completed application and required documentation at a participating dealership. Visit <https://ww2.arb.ca.gov/participating-dealerships-voucher-incentive-program> for a list of dealerships.
- The dealership forwards the application to a participating air district.
- The air district evaluates and approves a completed voucher application within twenty business days of starting the review of the application.



- Note: The owner is responsible for the cost of the vehicle minus the voucher award amount.

Are there any other participant requirements?

Yes. The participant must agree to the following terms:

- Operate the vehicle at least 75% of the time within California for the voucher period (i.e., three years);
- Allow the California Air Resources Board to verify registration and inspect the vehicle for the voucher period;
- Return annual usage reports as requested by the air district for each year of the voucher period.

What happens to the old vehicle in a replacement project?

The old vehicle is destroyed.

For more information

To learn more about the Voucher Incentive Program or to find information about participating dealerships, visit CARB's On-Road Heavy-Duty Voucher Incentive Program webpage at: <https://ww2.arb.ca.gov/our-work/programs/road-heavy-duty-voucher-incentive-program>.

For more information on other incentive and loan programs for on-road vehicles, visit https://ww2.arb.ca.gov/sites/default/files/truckstop/azregs/fa_resources.html or contact the Air Resources Board at 1-866-6DIESEL (1-866-634-3735).

You may obtain this document in an alternative format or language by contacting CARB at: (916) 322-4205 (voice); (916) 324-9531 (TDD, Sacramento area only); or (800) 700-8326 (TDD, outside Sacramento). TTY/TDD/Speech-to-Speech users may dial 711 for the California Relay Service.