

Charge Ready Program

An attractive solution to deploying EV charging in multi-unit dwellings



Are your residents enquiring about EV charging?

If you are not familiar with electric vehicles (EVs), it is important to understand that a residence may be the only location where EV drivers can reliably charge their vehicle on a daily basis (not everyone may have access to EV charging at work). Deploying EV charging may encourage adoption of EVs by residents while the lack of residential charging infrastructure may be a barrier to EV adoption.

EV charging is good for everyone

Greater Appeal: EV charging serves the needs of an increasing number of Californians and helps attract and retain an important segment of multi-unit dwelling residents.

Increased Value: EV charging may increase the value of your property with new and popular assets.

More Green: EV charging may contribute to sustainability efforts for your building and count toward certification by programs such as LEED.

Better Citizenship: EV charging demonstrates corporate social citizenship; your building will participate in the effort to improve air quality and reduce greenhouse gas.

We're revving up Charge Ready

Our program is designed to deploy the infrastructure needed to serve qualified charging stations at many locations, including multi-unit dwellings. Participation is subject to all program terms and conditions, including availability of funding and timely delivery of all required documents.

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EV Charging Location

Multi-unit dwellings may typically deploy EV charging in three types of locations:

Assigned parking enables residents to charge their EVs in their own parking spaces, using an unshared charging station. In this case, the building or an individual resident may be named as the customer of record (service account holder) and will be responsible for paying the utility bills related to that service account.

Dedicated parking allows multiple residents with EVs to access a dedicated, and usually restricted, area to charge their vehicle, even though parking spaces are shared (i.e., not assigned) within this area. This setup prevents non-EVs from using a parking space with a charging station.

Common area parking allows for on-site EV charging stations located in common areas and shared among your residents and guests.

Managing Your EV Charging Costs

When it comes to sharing energy costs with EV users, you have a number of options.

Residents with assigned parking spaces and a dedicated charging station may pay us directly through a separate EV account. Alternatively, you can collect fees from users. You can also include EV charging costs in the building operating expenses. Your options may be limited by the type of parking available to your residents and the charging stations' payment capabilities (if any). In all cases, it's important to make these decisions early on to inform construction design and the type of charging stations you procure.

All rate plans available under Charge Ready are "time-of-use" with higher rates on-peak and lower rates off-peak or mid-peak. As you will own and operate the charging stations, you will have **discretion** to determine charging policies, but encouraging **off-peak or mid-peak** charging and discouraging on-peak charging will help **lower** monthly energy costs.

Charge Ready reduces significantly the costs and complexity of deploying EV charging at multi-unit dwellings

- We cover all electric infrastructure costs
- You receive a rebate applicable against the purchase price and installation cost of qualified charging stations
- We size and manage the entire deployment (all required permitting and inspection are included)
- You can select the charging stations you want among a broad range of qualified models
- We can bill directly the cost of energy to residents with assigned parking (we individually meter each charging station upon request)

Program Eligibility

You are eligible to participate if you or your site:

- Qualify as a non-residential customer (including bundled service, direct access, community aggregator, and community choice aggregator customers). If you own or manage a multi-unit dwelling, your organization is likely to be considered a non-residential customer.
- Meet the program's guidelines for existing and future EV adoption
- Own, lease, or operate a multi-unit dwelling
- Provide an easement granted to SCE by the property owner
- Deliver proof of purchase of qualified charging equipment

Charging Station Deployment

We will support the deployment of a **minimum of 10 charging stations** per site (five in disadvantaged communities¹). The actual number of charging stations approved through the program will be determined based on several criteria, including current and near-term EV adoption and the number of parking spaces available at your site. However, a limited number of sites with significant deployment costs, based on our estimates, may not be eligible to participate in the program. All charging stations must be installed on a **new dedicated circuit** deployed by us (with its own panel, meter, and service), separately from any existing panel, meter or service.

Your Participation in Charge Ready

Upon enrollment in the Charge Ready Program, you are responsible for procuring qualified charging stations through approved vendors within 30 days. Participation in the program is required for **10 years**, and charging stations must be maintained in working order during that period. You must also subscribe to a **data management plan** with an approved EV charging network service provider and share charging data at a transactional level with us² (no personally identifiable information). Finally, you must participate in future **Demand Response** (DR) programs².

An Important Final Note

Businesses interested in setting up EV-charging services should understand the legal, regulatory, and other requirements that may be involved. We can provide assistance with regard to service upgrades, metering, and rates associated with EV charging. Unfortunately, we cannot advise customers on pricing or other aspects of a business involving EV charging services.

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How It Works 



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¹A disadvantaged community is an area identified by the California Environmental Protection Agency based on geographic, socioeconomic, public health, and environmental criteria in accordance to the Health and Safety Code § 39711.

²This requirement only applies to Level 2 charging stations.