

Oklahoma VW and DERA Grants

The Oklahoma Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) has two opportunities for funding available in Oklahoma: the **Oklahoma Alternative Fuel School Bus Program (VW Settlement)**, and the **Oklahoma Clean Diesel Grant Program (DERA)**. Both programs aim to address the problem of older diesel vehicles emitting unhealthy air pollutants and aim to make the greatest impact for the citizens and environment of Oklahoma.

Key similarities and differences between the two programs are outlined below:

	<u>Alternative Fuel School Bus Program</u>	<u>Oklahoma Clean Diesel (DERA) Program</u>
Total Funding	\$4,184,000	\$638,545
Project Cap	\$300,000 per award and also subject to a per-item cap (Table 1 of RFP)	None
Availability	All school districts within Oklahoma	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All school districts within Oklahoma Any entity wishing to retrofit exhaust controls, including government fleets and private companies
Eligible Project Types	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Replacement of old diesel powered school buses with new alternative fuel school buses Repower old diesel technology with new alternative fuel technology Charging infrastructure for all-electric school buses 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Installation of exhaust control retrofits (such as diesel oxidation catalysts and selective catalytic reduction systems) on a variety of vehicle types Replacement of old diesel powered school buses with new diesel or gasoline powered buses
Application Timeline	RFP release October 17, 2018 Applications due on or before December 3, 2018	
Project timeline	Projects must be complete by September 1, 2021	Projects must be complete by September 1, 2019
Fuel types Allowed	New/repowered vehicle must be all-electric, hybrid-electric, CNG, LNG, or LPG/propane	New/retrofit must be diesel or gasoline
Engine Model Years Allowed	Original vehicle must be EMY 2009 or older	Original vehicle must be EMY 1995-2006
Vehicle Classes Allowed	Original vehicle must be GVWR Class 4-8	Original vehicle must be GVWR Class 5-8



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Reimbursement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> For <i>government</i>-owned school buses: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Up to 50% of the cost of <u>replacement</u>, <u>repower</u>, and/or <u>charging infrastructure</u> for any eligible fuel type For <i>non-government</i> owned school buses: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Up to 40% of the cost of <u>repower</u> to CNG, LNG, LPG, or hybrid-electric; -Up to 25% of the cost of <u>replacement</u> with CNG, LNG, LPG, or hybrid-electric; -Up to 50% of the cost of <u>replacement</u> or <u>repower</u> to all-electric, including <u>charging infrastructure</u> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Up to 100% of the cost for <u>retrofits</u> on <i>publicly</i>-owned vehicles Up to 50% of the cost for <u>retrofits</u> on <i>privately</i>-owned vehicles Up to 25% of the cost for <u>replacement</u> school buses
Prioritization	Both programs prioritize applicants that are affected by the emissions of nearby high-traffic corridors (such as I-35, I-44, etc.) and counties with the potential of having higher air pollution.	
Restrictions	Only school bus replacements, engine repower for school buses, and associated electric chargers are eligible under this program	Vehicle replacements are only eligible for school buses; heavy-duty vehicles used for any purpose are eligible for exhaust control retrofits
Further Information	www.deq.state.ok.us/agdnew/vwsettlement	www.deq.state.ok.us/agdnew/cleandiesel

