



Emotive Community Outreach Incentive Program

2024/2025

Emotive Campaign

Emotive is a British Columbia (B.C.) wide outreach and awareness campaign that encourages the accelerated adoption of electric vehicles (EVs) across the province. Emotive acts as a collaborative campaign with many implementation partners interested in EV education and outreach in communities in B.C.

Funded by the Province of British Columbia, the Emotive Community Outreach Incentive Program (COIP) offers support and funding to B.C. communities, organizations, Indigenous communities, and local governments to assist them in delivering local/regional Emotive EV awareness campaigns. The intent of the COIP is to empower communities to deliver locally appropriate Emotive campaign activities that raise the awareness and profile of EVs in B.C. While EVs remain the primary focus of the COIP, other electric modes of transportation (e.g., e-bikes) can be included in COIP projects.

Funding for the COIP is provided by the Province of B.C.'s [CleanBC Go Electric Program](#) and is administered by Plug In BC (a program of the Fraser Basin Council Society). Additional information on the CleanBC Go Electric Program is available in Appendix A.

Are You a New Applicant to the Community Outreach Incentive Program?

For 2024/2025, we are looking for project proposals from B.C. communities, organizations and local governments who have not participated in COIP projects in the past. The COIP will prioritize projects that can show support for furthering EV awareness within northern,¹ rural/small towns,² and Indigenous communities.

Program Scope

We recognize that communities face several different challenges and barriers when it comes to EV adoption and outreach. The Plug In BC team will provide tools, open source Emotive content, consultation, and training to assist successful applicants in their EV education and outreach efforts. The COIP's desire is to develop capacity, identify local champions, and help to create a spark that will initiate sustainable, community-driven EV education and outreach efforts.

¹ Northern communities include Dawson Creek, Fort Nelson, Fort St John, Prince George, Prince Rupert, Quesnel, Terrace and Williams Lake.

² Refers to individuals in towns or municipalities outside of larger urban centres (generally with a population of at least 10,000 people)

Community Outreach Incentive Program Support Options

(1) The Emotive Assets Kit

The Emotive Assets Kit is offered as a digital and/or physical resource that includes limited printed collateral and various digital files branded with the Emotive logo that facilitate increased EV awareness (e.g., list of EVs available in B.C., FAQ document, incentive literature, etc.)

Interested parties can email Michael Stanyer at mstanyer@fraserbasin.ca to request an [Assets Kit](#).

(2) Funding Support

Apply for financial support to run EV education and outreach activities in your community.

Many of these activities in the past have been public EV test drive events, community forums, the development of video content, educational printed or online materials and the hosting of online webinars. We have provided a list of ideas that may act as alternative ideas to in-person events and other gatherings (see Activities below).

Applicants can apply for the following levels of funding:

- 1) Up to \$15,000 to support EV outreach activities in their community. Those applicants who are new to the COIP and can show how projects support furthering EV awareness and education within northern, rural/small towns, and Indigenous communities will be prioritized.
- 2) Up to \$20,000 for a campaign that will span across multiple communities. Multiple community campaign funding will only be offered for activities which serve multiple communities and therefore require additional expenses. Those applicants who are new to the COIP and can show how projects support furthering EV awareness within northern, rural/small towns, and Indigenous communities will be prioritized.

Successful applicants will also receive a *digital* Emotive Assets Kit, training, and limited staff support from Plug In BC.

Emotive Community Outreach Incentive Program funding can only be stacked with funding sources outside of the Provincial Government. However, it must be reported independently under the rules detailed in this guide. The Province reserves the right to not allow stacking with any particular program.

Projects must be completed by March 31, 2025. No extensions will be approved since this is the final round of funding for this initiative.

Activities/Events Cancelled Due to Emergencies

If an activity or event is cancelled due to an emergency, the COIP recipient may submit a revised application for an alternative activity or the same activity providing that the activity or event is completed by March 1, 2025, and that the final report is submitted to Plug In BC before March 31, 2025. If the COIP recipient is not able to complete the project prior to the March 31, 2025 deadline, they must return all funding that was initially awarded to Plug In BC.

Activity Ideas for the Community Outreach Incentive Program

The following suggestions are not exhaustive. Feel free to include any of these in your application or send us something entirely new!

Local EV Awareness Campaign

The original bread and butter of the COIP. These types of activities are great for showcasing and getting hands-on experiences with EVs in your community, and often include dealership test-drives and discussions with local EV Ambassadors.³ The awareness campaign can be hosted as an event on its own or could become part of an event that your community already hosts on an annual/frequent basis.

Organize a Challenge or Scavenger Hunt

Mobilize your local EV Ambassadors to show off locations, vehicles, and EV usage in your community. Think about some places and practices that you want to highlight, then challenge your peers to knock them all off a list. Of course, you'll need to document these activities with pictures and descriptions so that others can see what you've been up to.

Share Your #LiveElectric Stories

Your stories are important in demonstrating that EVs make sense in your community. Share your experience and inspire others to go electric with a series of brief but well-crafted #LiveElectric ownership stories, high-quality photography and maybe even some video content too! These stories will be published on the Emotive website and shared on our social media channels. See examples [here](#).

Develop New Print, PDF, and Digital Guides for Your Community

What would you like to tell new, prospective, or visiting EV drivers in a brief pamphlet or digital material? We can give you some EV basics to include, and you fill in the local details. Apply for funding to develop digital materials to promote online or print materials you can hand out.

Host an In-Person/Virtual Speaker Series or Symposium

Both options provide a great venue to connect either in-person or online and can focus on a myriad of different subjects on EV education and awareness. While the cost of hosting a webinar can be much lower than a real-world event, there are still promotional expenses, software and service costs, and speaker fees to be accounted for. Funding for a virtual conference lets you go big with high profile speakers and proper technology.

Produce Inspiring Videos

Show off EVs in your community! Really hit home with shots of EVs at local landmarks, recreation sites and doing essential driving tasks in your community.

Here are some guidelines for generating video ideas with the *Hero, Hub, Help framework*. Past projects have focused on *Hero* and *Hub* videos. Those are still welcome, but we are especially looking for *Help* style videos in 2023.

Hero Videos: Grab people's attention. Engage viewers with high quality visuals to show that EVs are in your community and are fun to drive! These don't need a great deal of voice over but should use multiple vehicles, multiple locations, and professional videography to draw the audience in and inspire them to learn more.

Target: one video, 2-3 minutes in length.

³ Emotive's 'EV Ambassadors' are the voice of the Emotive campaign and are vital to its success. EV Ambassadors are local volunteers within B.C. communities who help at education and awareness events and play a large role in helping with COIP projects. If you've ever been to an Emotive event there's a chance you have met a local EV Ambassador!

Examples:

- [Go EV – City of Kamloops](#)
- [Charged up for Summer – Going Electric in Northern BC](#)
- [Okanagan Adventures: The Electric Vehicle Experience](#)

Hub Videos: Content that people value and want to actively receive. This is episodic, building an ongoing relationship with our audience. Think about a short series of topics to discuss or demonstrate, or EV Ambassadors to cover in your community. Emotive has new videos to tackle big topics like environmental impacts – so we’re looking for you to share your local, personal experience: maybe a series of virtual test drives or EV driver interviews.

Target: 2-3 videos, 3-6 minutes in length.

Examples:

- [“Don’t waste time. Just go for it.” Katie switches to an EV in the Township of Langley](#)
- [Musqueam, living electric with EV fleet cars](#)
- [Saving money and having fun: driving an electric car in Kamloops, BC](#)

Help Videos: Longer “how-to,” informative or vlog style videos. These do not need epic drone shots and professional lighting. They can be shot using consumer level cameras, but still need high quality sound. You might cover topics like

- How to locate and use local charging stations;
- How much power you regenerate going down a big hill;
- What’s it like doing a common road trip in your area;
- How often and where you charge; or,
- How EVs with different technology charge at different speeds; or
- Replicating a topic done by EV influencers/reports, but in your community

Target: 1-3 videos, 5 - 15 minutes each with good quality video and audio, but they don’t need complicated camera work.

Remember, these are just some ideas to get you started. Keep in mind that statistics change, and policies are always evolving, so stay away from specifics or data in videos that could become dated. If you want to include statistics and/or data, please provide sources or references.

When you are working on a video project, please consider the preparation for sharing it: a title and short description, a thumbnail image with the title/hook, short excerpts or behind-the-scenes clips for reels/stories, and subtitles.

Something Completely Different!

This is not an exhaustive list. If you want to discuss your idea before applying, please contact Michael Stanyer at mstanyer@fraserbasin.ca.

Plug In BC Support

Fraser Basin Council (FBC) staff on the Plug In BC team are able to offer limited support via email or phone. Support includes advice on engagement activity/event logistics, local partner search, marketing and communications, connecting with Emotive ambassadors, and connecting with the Emotive Campaign Network to share success stories. Support will depend on staff availability and may be deferred to the Campaign Network or an Emotive Ambassador.

The Emotive Campaigns Network operates as a hub/network where communities can collaborate on best practices, challenges, and activities in local and regional campaigns. (Find additional information in Appendix A)

Applicant Eligibility

Applicants must meet the following Eligibility Criteria:

1. Eligible applicants include NGOs, businesses, local governments, and Indigenous governments or organizations in B.C.
2. Activities must aim to raise awareness about EVs in B.C.

Terms and Conditions

1. Applicant cannot profit financially from the Emotive brand.
2. Promotion must be brand neutral with respect to vehicle makes and models.
3. Organizational staff/members must review provided Emotive training materials (provided upon acceptance).
4. Applicant must sign the [Emotive Official Mark Consent Agreement](#).
3. Applicant must have staff and volunteers sign the Emotive Photo Waiver (provided upon acceptance).
4. Applicant must track the number of people engaged by each activity.
5. After final activity, applicant must submit a post-activity/event report online (see Appendix C – Final report questions).
6. Emotive retains the ability to prioritize applications based on geographic reach in rural and northern communities.
7. Emotive retains the ability to prioritize applications based on those who are new to the Emotive Campaign and have not received project funding under a prior COIP funding call.

Eligible Costs

Eligible costs are all direct costs properly and reasonably incurred in relation to the proposed project. Eligible costs include:

1. Personnel: organizational staff time related to the Emotive project,
2. Materials: signage, event stationery and cleaning/sanitization supplies, promotional items, posters/banners, and brochures (printed materials must have Emotive branding and proofs must be provided before printing),
3. Registration fees, event insurance and venue or equipment rental,
4. Services: graphic design, audio/video, advertising, translation, event security and first aid, and,
5. Travel/meals for event staff and volunteers.

Ineligible Costs

1. Administrative overhead charges,
2. Personnel costs not related to the Emotive project,
3. Purchase of computers and software, phones, or office equipment,
4. GST, and,
5. Alcohol.

Application Process

Application process to receive funding support:

1. Review the Emotive Outreach Incentive Program description on the Emotive website.

- a. Carefully read the eligibility, application, and award process in this document.
2. Review application questions and prepare a budget. See: Appendix B – Application Questions.
3. Submit your application and budget online through [LimeSurvey](#)
 - a. Applications will be open beginning on March 1 and will close on April 15, 2024, at 5:00pm

Award Process

Award incentive process to receive Funding Support:

1. Upon acceptance, applicants must submit the following documents, prior to the release of 75% of funds, via email:
 - a. The Official Mark Consent Agreement (signed by applicant and partners).
 - b. Contract (signed).
2. Successful Applicants are strongly recommended to join the Emotive Campaigns Network to collaborate on best practices, challenges, and activities in local and regional campaigns to deliver a more powerful province-wide Emotive Program. Join by emailing Michael Stanyer, mstanyer@fraserbasin.ca.
3. Upon completion of the event/campaign work recipients must submit the following documents, prior to the release of the remaining 25% of funds:
 - a. Post-activity/event/final report.
 - b. Final budget including receipts.
 - c. Photo waivers.
4. **All final reports and backup information including receipts, photos, and other documentation must be submitted by March 31, 2025.**

Questions and Support

Contact Michael Stanyer, mstanyer@fraserbasin.ca

Appendix A – Background

Emotive is one of a suite of programs offered under the Province of B.C.'s CleanBC Go Electric Program. The Emotive program is funded through the Ministry of Energy, Mines and Low Carbon Innovation and is administered by the Fraser Basin Council Society. The Province of B.C.'s CleanBC Go Electric Program is designed to encourage and accelerate the adoption of zero-emission vehicles (ZEVs) in B.C. for both their environmental and economic benefits.

Emotive was developed in 2014 by the Province of B.C., Metro Vancouver, the City of Vancouver, the City of Surrey, and Fraser Basin Council Society. The key intention behind the Emotive brand is to encourage and accelerate the adoption of electric vehicles (EVs) in B.C. through outreach and education campaigns. Emotive now has community partners throughout B.C. who accelerate the adoption of EVs by holding demonstration and test drive events, developing videos, and sharing their EV stories.

The Emotive Campaigns Network was established to provide a hub where communities can collaborate on how best to deliver local and regional EV campaigns. The Campaigns Network provides a place to generate ideas around materials, campaign, or event tactics, learn about existing campaigns and EV outreach efforts, and share challenges and solutions.

Appendix B – Application Questions

All application questions must be submitted online via LimeSurvey. Please be descriptive and provide details in your answers.

WE WILL ONLY ACCEPT APPLICATIONS VIA THE ONLINE SURVEY PORTAL. [Apply here](#)

Application Questions

Complete your application [online](#). You can preview the application questions below, but applications must be made online.

- A. Applicant information
 1. Organization name
 2. Organization address
 3. Type of organization
 - i. Local Government
 - ii. Indigenous
 - iii. Business
 - iv. NGO
 - v. Other
 4. Which Emotive funding stream are you applying to?
 - i. Single Community
 - ii. Multiple Community Campaign
 5. How much funding are you requesting in total (\$0-20,000)?
 6. Have you received COIP funding in the past?
 7. [If yes] How much funding have you received in the past, and in which years? If you have received funding more than once, please indicate funding received per project and each year you have participated. Is your activity or event in a northern, rural/small town or Indigenous community?
 8. Name of your organizational champion or staff representative.
 9. Title of your organizational champion or staff representative.
 10. Contact email of your organizational champion or staff representative.

11. Contact phone number of your organization's champion or staff representative.

B. Activity/event

1. Describe the proposed event(s) or activity goal(s) in as much detail as possible.
2. Event or activity description:
 - a. Activity or event name
 - b. Location
 - c. Date and time
 - d. Type of activity or event (farmers market, video production, etc.)
 - e. Describe your activity or event
 - f. Has the location already been secured? If not, what needs to happen to secure the venue?
 - g. If you must pay for a venue booking, what is the deadline for cancelation, if necessary?
 - h. In case your activity or event is cancelled due to an emergency, briefly describe an alternative activity or event you would be interested in doing.
 - i. What is the target number of people engaged?
3. Describe your pre-activity/event marketing and promotion activities.
4. Describe any post-activity/event marketing and promotion activities.
5. List the names of each partner organization helping to deliver the activity/event.
6. Do you need a permit or insurance for this activity/event?
 - a. Has the appropriate permit and/or insurance been obtained?
7. List materials needed for your activity/event, including materials from the Emotive Assets Kit if needed.
8. Will you be showcasing an electric vehicle?
 - a. Has an electric vehicle been secured for your activity/event?
9. How many staff will be delivering your event or activity?
10. How many youths (ages 18-30) will be employed to deliver your event or activity?
11. Do you have volunteers or EV Ambassadors supporting your activity/event?
12. List any additional metrics used to measure success.
13. Describe any other aspect of your Emotive outreach plan not already listed here, such as additional activities, marketing, promotions, collaboration, and/or partnerships, etc.

C. Budget

1. Budget
 - a. Personnel: _____
 - b. Materials: _____
 - i. Note: Items for prizes or give-aways must be included in your budget. They will not be provided *in addition* to COIP funding.
 - c. Services: _____
 - d. Registration Fees: _____
 - e. Travel/meals: _____ Other: _____
 - f. Total: _____
2. If you included a cost under *Other*, describe the cost you are including.

D. Consent

I agree:

- that the information herein is correct and I agree to meet all eligibility requirements including the submission of a final report; I understand that the dissemination of funds may be withheld until all criteria are met;

- to email photos, descriptions and images Fraser Basin Council for Emotive’s Social Media channels (if applicable);
- to take photos at the event and send to Fraser Basin Council (ensures proper photo waivers have been signed and logo is displayed prominently);
- to tag Emotive/ use hashtags in all social media communications/posts;
- to sign the [Official Mark Consent Agreement](#) and get partners to sign if applicable;
- to use the CleanBC Go Electric logo on material content that is developed for the COIP project? (videos, digital content, pamphlets etc.);
- to have all event staff review the Emotive training document;
- to not profit financially from the Emotive brand;
- that promotion will be brand neutral with respect to vehicle makes and models;
- to join the Emotive Campaign Network;
- to submit post-event report online (a link to the post-event report will be sent to you after your event/campaign).

If you choose "no," you will be presented with a text box to explain why.

[Yes] [No]

- Please explain why you do not consent to the above statements.

Appendix C – Final report questions

Final report template/survey. The final report will be [submitted online](#).

1. Please list your name, title, and organization.
2. Provide a spending summary.
 - a. Personnel: _____
 - b. Materials: _____
 - c. Services: _____
 - d. Registration Fees: _____
 - e. Travel/meals: _____
 - f. Other: _____
 - g. Total: _____
3. Describe any differences between your Emotive Community Outreach Incentive Program proposal and actual activities.
4. What is your estimated overall reach from all Emotive activities (events/ social media/ newsletter etc.)? Did the activities reach your target audience and engagement numbers? If no, explain.
5. Describe your marketing and promotional activities.
6. List any barriers or challenges you encountered in the delivery of activities/events.
7. List any actions you would take to improve your activity/event. Include lessons learned and ideas to amplify impact.
8. Answer the following for each activity/event:
 - a. Name of activity or event.
 - b. Location of activity or event.
 - c. Date of activity or event.
 - d. Description and summary of activity or event.
 - e. If applicable: How many people attended your event?
 - f. How many people did you directly engage in conversations about Electric Vehicles?
 - g. List the staff, volunteers, and ambassadors who supported your event.

- h. List partner contributions.
 - i. List number and types of EVs on display or available for test drives.
- 9. Generally speaking, describe the demographics of the people engaged, i.e., age, gender, occupation, hometown, education, etc, if known.