



Case Study

Mid-Hudson Library System



Name: Mid-Hudson Library System

Location: Poughkeepsie

Industry: Library

Project type: EV Make Ready



PROJECT AT A GLANCE

Chargers installed: Two level-two chargers, two plugs each.

*Incentive: **90%** of costs of the electrical infrastructure needed for charger installations.*



Contractor: Lynkwell

Location: Schenectady, NY

Overview

The Mid-Hudson Library System (MHLS) embarked on an innovative project to install Electric Vehicle (EV) chargers at its Poughkeepsie location. This initiative was part of a broader commitment to sustainability and community service, as well as a strategic move to achieve the Sustainable Libraries Initiative Certification. It demonstrates MHLS's dedication to renewable energy and its role in serving the community and staff.

Incentive Programs

A pivotal factor in MHLS's decision to proceed with the EV chargers was the financial support from Central Hudson's EV Make Ready Program. Specifically, the program covered 90% of the infrastructure costs necessary to support charger installation, amounting to \$25,578. This substantial financial incentive was crucial in making the project feasible. "The Central Hudson EV Make Ready Program made the project financially viable and allowed us to proceed sooner than expected," said Chris Herron, Facilities Manager & Delivery Operations Assistant.

Collaboration Experience

The library chose Lynkwell to install the chargers. "The experience with Central Hudson and our vendor, Lynkwell, was a positive process," Herron said. He praised Lynkwell for efficiently handling the majority of the application and incentive process, streamlining the project's execution and minimizing administrative burdens on MHLS.

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Public Accessibility and Community Service

MHLS chose to make the EV charging stations accessible to the public, aligning with their commitment to the Sustainable Libraries Initiative (SLI) and community service. Herron elaborated on this decision, “This was part of the SLI but also was another service we could provide to our community to continue our goal of being a positive contributor in our area.” This move not only fulfills a certification requirement but also positions MHLS as a proactive community partner in promoting sustainable practices.

Encouragement for Future Installations

Herron advocates for the installation of EV chargers by other organizations, emphasizing the long-term benefits: “I would encourage other interested parties to consider EV chargers in order to help build the infrastructure that will be required in the future to make electric vehicles a practical choice for consumers.” He views the development of EV charging infrastructure as essential to advancing renewable energy goals and encouraging the adoption of electric vehicles.

Conclusion

The installation of EV chargers at the Mid-Hudson Library System, significantly funded by Central Hudson’s EV Make Ready Program, exemplifies how strategic partnerships and financial incentives can facilitate sustainable infrastructure projects. This project highlights the importance of leveraging such incentives, collaborating with capable vendors, and prioritizing accessibility and community service.

Central Hudson’s EV Make Ready Program

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