
ACT School Bus Advisory Services Program

WEBINAR #2

DECEMBER 20, 2023

Agenda

- Advisory Services Program overview
- Program by the numbers
- Panelist Introductions
- Panel Discussion
- Q&A
- Next Steps



Advisory Services Program Overview

- No cost, comprehensive fleet electrification planning.
- MassCEC is offering this free program to **up to 25 public school bus fleets** in Massachusetts including **public school districts and third-party fleet operators**.
- Fleets will be considered for enrollment on a **rolling basis**.
- The Program will prioritize fleets based upon the following criteria:
 - Designation as an **EPA Prioritized School District**¹
 - Proximity to **Environmental Justice (EJ)**² neighborhoods
 - Designation as a **Gateway City**³, and
 - Establishing a pool of participants which is **representative of the state**.

1 – <https://www.epa.gov/system/files/documents/2023-04/fy23-csb-prioritization-list-2023-04.pdf>

2 – <https://www.mass.gov/info-details/environmental-justice-populations-in-Massachusetts>

3 – <https://www.mass.gov/doc/gatewaycitiesdocx/download>



Program by the Numbers

Schools Applied

25



Buses Enrolled

1000+



Spaces Remaining

16



Panel Discussion

▶ Panelists

- **Alex Pine (moderator)**

VEIC, Consultant

- **Jackie Hayes**

Boston Public Schools, Deputy Director of Transportation

- **Ryan Wheeler**

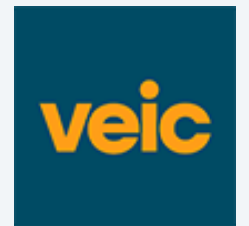
National Grid, Fleet Electrification Product Owner

- **Kelly Thompson-Clark**

Operational Services Division, Strategic Sourcing Contract Manager

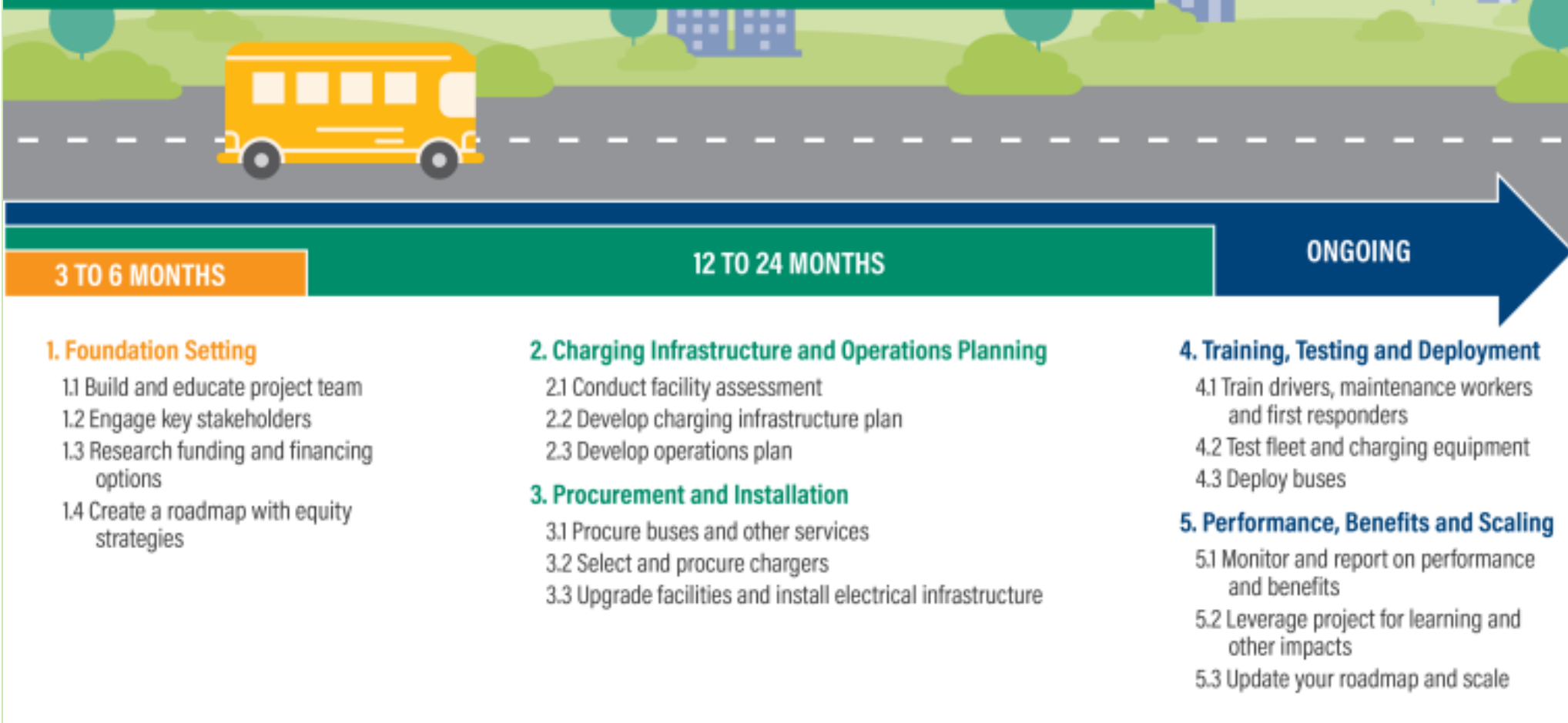
- **Tom Fisher**

VEIC, Senior Consultant



Electric School Bus Roadmap

Transitioning to electric school buses generally follows a standardized process and can take around two years of planning. Your timeline may be different and will depend on local capacity, financing and processes, and the availability of buses.



Source: World Resource Institute (WRI) Step-by-Step Guide for School Bus Electrification
<https://electricschoolbusinitiative.org/step-step-guide-school-bus-electrification>

Q&A

Wrap Up and Next Steps

- Questions? Raise your hand to be unmuted or type them in the chat / Q&A!
- The next Webinar will be Q2 2024
- Interested in applying?
 - Email us at MassBusAdvisory@veic.org to express your interest and we will be in touch!
 - Visit our program [website](#) to learn more

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