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Welcome to KCFC October 2026 Newsletter

This month marks an intensive period of operational coordination and data expansion as our team finalizes arrangements for our upcoming annual meeting on November 2nd, delivers record-breaking alternative fuel data infrastructure tracking to the federal government, expands our EV site pipeline with key regional partners, and connects with regional stakeholders on institutional sustainability.

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Program Director's Message

Dear KCFC Members, Partners, and Stakeholders:

Welcome to the October 2026 edition of the Kentucky Clean Fuels Coalition (KCFC) Newsletter!

Our team has spent the past month working at an accelerated pace to finalizing the logistics for our 2026 Annual Meeting coming up on November 2nd. Following our recent site visit to Kentucky State University (KSU) to review onsite operations, we are actively coordinating with equipment and display vendors to lock in booth arrangements. Parallelly, we are pushing forward on our regional EV charging station project, expanding our target list to evaluate two critical new prospective sites: the KSU campus and the UofL Health Campus. We are collaborating closely with our engineering vendors to secure finalized project budget estimates for these locations.

Concurrently, our technical team achieved a major milestone by successfully submitting our federal quarterly report on alternative fuel pricing. Thanks to our rigorous grid and field mapping, we added more than 90 new alternative fuel stations across the Commonwealth to this report and logged 400 active electric vehicle (EV) charging stations directly with the Department of Energy (DOE). Finally, we wrapped up a successful week of community outreach at the University of Louisville (UofL) Sustainability Fair, promoting our coalition's core services and driving registration for our annual event.

We remain incredibly grateful for your continued alignment and look forward to celebrating these milestones together in person next month!

Sincerely,
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2026 KCFC Annual Meeting Logistics Update

The 2026 KCFC Annual Meeting was scheduled for November 2nd at Kentucky State University's Harold R. Benson Research and Demonstration Farm.

The Kentucky Clean Fuels Coalition recently hosted its 2026 Annual Meeting, and it was a resounding success! We extend our heartfelt gratitude to all our sponsors, vendors, and attendees for their invaluable participation. Your support made this event possible and helped drive meaningful discussions about the future of clean fuels in Kentucky.



We will include the Annual Meeting details and highlights in our next month newsletter.

Thank you for being a vital part of this important initiative!

Rewriting Our Online Presence

KCFC has been completely upgrading its digital footprint! We are excited to announce that we will officially launch the completely revised version of our official website during the Annual Meeting on November 2nd.

In addition, our official social media channels are now completely live. Connect with us, view live network milestones, and track our ongoing community growth across the Commonwealth:

Follow our **#Kentucky Clean Fuels Coalition** page to interact with board updates and fleet showcases.

Follow our profile **@kycleanfuels** for daily media highlights and field documentation.

Current Project Activities: October 2026

In parallel with our event preparations, the KCFC infrastructure team is sustaining momentum on regional corridor developments by actively developing new EV charging station projects.

- **New EV Sites:** We have formally expanded our deployment target list to include two highly strategic prospective project areas: **Kentucky State University (KSU)** and the **University of Louisville (UofL) Health Campus**.

- **Vendor Financial Engineering:** The team is collaborating directly with our primary equipment vendors to map out physical hardware configurations, determine grid alignments, and secure detailed project budget estimates for both sites. These proposals will ensure the upcoming deployments leverage structured cost-sharing models effectively. In future also, we would continue identifying government grants, subsidies and help with filing the applications.

Fueling Data: DOE Quarterly Pricing & Infrastructure Report

KCFC has officially compiled and submitted its comprehensive Quarterly Alternative Fuel Pricing Report to the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE), establishing a new benchmark for clean transit mapping in the state.

Our data tracking metrics saw a massive expansion this quarter, with the successful integration of **more than 90 newly verified alternative fueling stations** across Kentucky. Additionally, to support the accelerating deployment of regional electric vehicle networks, the KCFC team catalogued and reported **400 active EV charging stations** throughout the Commonwealth directly to the DOE database this month.

Community Engagement: UofL Sustainability Fair

Strengthening our institutional ties, the KCFC team proudly participated in the recent **University of Louisville (UofL) Sustainability Fair** to broaden regional stakeholder engagement.

The team deployed an interactive outreach hub to promote the coalition's technical services, clean energy toolkits, and ongoing collaborations with the Conn Center for Renewable Energy Research.

Staff utilized the fair as a primary platform to connect with academic leaders, students, and sustainability advocates, successfully driving public awareness and registrations for the upcoming annual meeting on November 2nd.



Figure: KCFC Team with UofL sustainability Director Dr. Justin Mog at UofL Sustainability Fair

KCFC Leaders Attend Clean Cities and Communities 101

Professional development | October 28–29, 2026

Dr. Veera M. Boddu, Associate Director, and Dr. Jagannadh Satyavolu, Program Director, represented the Kentucky Clean Fuels Coalition (KCFC) at Clean Cities and Communities (CC&C) 101 on October 28–29, 2026 in Pittsburgh, PA. Their participation supported KCFC's efforts to strengthen coalition operations and advance practical clean transportation initiatives across Commonwealth of Kentucky. The attendance is supported by Department of Energy's Clean Cities and Communities National Program.

This professional development opportunity is relevant to KCFC's priorities in coalition management, membership development, stakeholder engagement, project planning, and performance reporting. These areas support collaboration with public agencies, universities, utilities, businesses, fleet operators, agricultural organizations, and community partners. Potential applications include improving EV charging site assistance, expanding alternative-fuel fleet outreach, supporting agricultural equipment initiatives, and strengthening community engagement through the Great River Road collaboration. Recommended follow-up includes reviewing training resources, updating project and stakeholder records, clarifying staff and intern responsibilities, and sharing relevant information with the Board of Directors.

Participation by both leaders reflects KCFC's commitment to building organizational capacity and delivering useful services to members and stakeholders. Applying the training resources can help the coalition translate Kentucky's clean transportation priorities into measurable projects and stronger partnerships.

Other Items of Interest

Drive Clean Indiana Crossroads Clean Tech Conference 2026

Returning to showcase the latest in advanced transportation, this neighboring regional forum highlights real-world alternative fuel deployment, clean corridor planning, and heavy-duty vehicle technologies. It brings together fleet managers, policy advocates, and infrastructure providers, concluding with a dedicated industry awards ceremony celebrating advancements in sustainable transit modernization.

- **Date:** November 17–18, 2026
- **Venue & Location:** Stardust Event Center at Blue Chip Casino, Michigan City, Indiana
- **Registration & Details:** Drive Clean Indiana Event Portal

Yale Clean Energy Conference 2026

Convening top experts and practitioners across the clean energy landscape, this specialized conference centers on scaling clean technology deployments and sustainable energy frameworks. It provides an excellent forum for learning about the latest in innovative infrastructure financing, state-level climate policies, equity-driven green investments, and community-scale clean power systems.

- **Date:** November 5–6, 2026
- **Venue & Location:** Yale School of Management, New Haven, Connecticut
- **Registration & Details:** Yale Clean Energy Forum

Green Transportation Summit & Expo (GTSE) at RE+ 2026

Marking a massive structural expansion, GTSE has officially partnered with RE+ to create a comprehensive national hub for clean grid infrastructure and alternative fuel transportation systems. Attendees can participate in dedicated fleet planning workshops, explore cutting-edge corridor infrastructure developments, and network with commercial electric vehicle and alternative fuel manufacturers.

- **Date:** November 16–19, 2026
- **Venue & Location:** Las Vegas Convention Center, Las Vegas, Nevada
- **Registration & Details:** Green Transportation Summit Hub

EPA Diesel Emissions Reduction Act (DERA) Grants

The U.S. EPA is offering approximately $180 million in funding to upgrade or replace legacy diesel fleets with cleaner technologies. This program supports projects that reduce diesel emissions to improve public health and local air quality.

- **Deadline:** January 22, 2027
- **Registration & Details:** EPA DERA National Grants

Job Opening: Executive Director, Clean Fuels Ohio

Clean Fuels Ohio (CFO) is seeking a visionary **Executive Director** to lead its strategic growth, oversee statewide programs, and advance its mission of promoting cleaner fuels and energy-saving vehicles.

- **The Role:** A full-time, remote position (must reside in Ohio) responsible for managing operations, building diverse funding streams, advocating for policy, and collaborating with the Board of Directors.
- **Compensation: $90,000 to $100,000** for the first year, based on experience and performance, with growth opportunities.
- **How to Apply:** **Apply here**

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