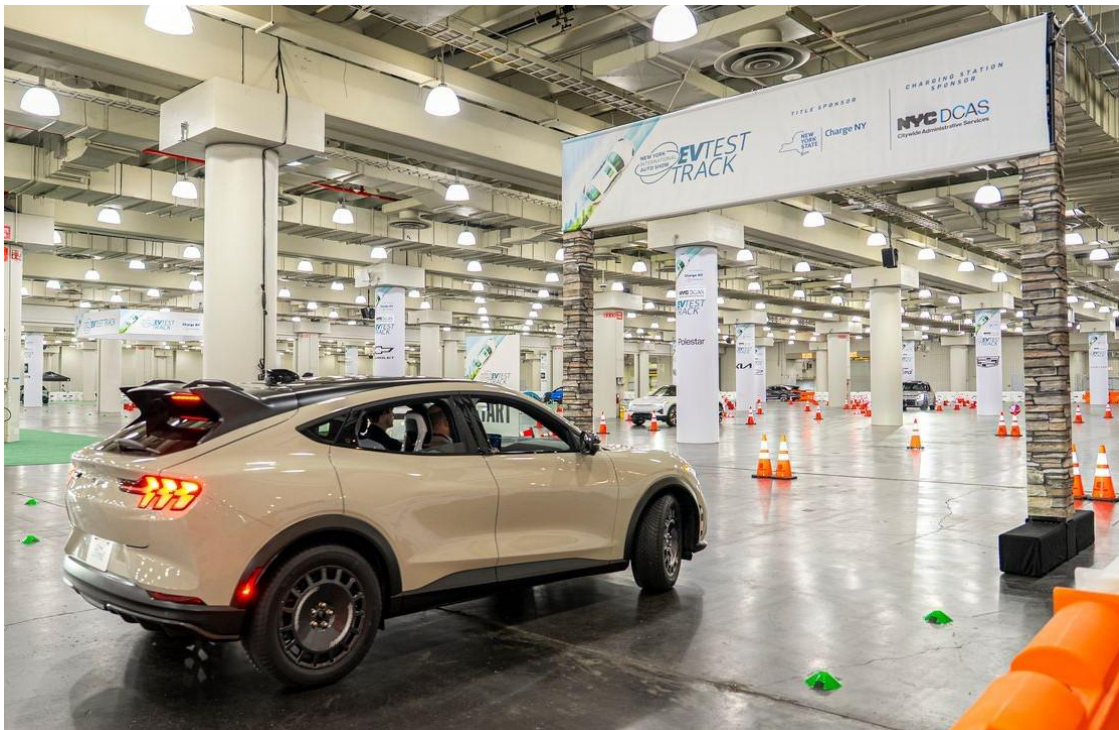


1,000 EVs in Law Enforcement

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Law enforcement is the largest single segment of the city fleet with approximately 11,000 vehicles at 15 agencies used in law enforcement capacities.

The largest group is of course patrol and response vehicles at NYPD. In total, NYPD operates over 8,800 on and off-road fleet units. However, many additional agencies operate police and law enforcement units including Correction, Sheriff, Probation, DEP, DCAS, TLC, DOI, DSNY, Parks, DHS, HRA, FDNY, SCI, and NYCCEM. These units are operated by either police officers or peace officers, depending on the agency and function.

For the first time, we have exceeded 1,000 electric vehicles (EV) assigned in law enforcement roles at these agencies. View the announcement [here](#). We exceeded the 1,000 mark with the introduction at NYPD, NYC Sheriff, and Probation of the Chevy EV Enforcement Blazer. The Blazer is the first of our EVs to achieve “[pursuit](#)” rated status. DCAS procured 58 Blazers in our first set of citywide orders.



Additional EV models in use for law enforcement include the Chevy Bolt, Ford Mach E, Ford Lightning, Chevy Silverado EV, and Ford E Transit. Correction has implemented the first EV K9 (canine) unit using a Ford EV Lightning pickup.

In addition, DSNY, Parks, and DCAS have announced that the law enforcement divisions for the three agencies will completely transition to plug-in electric models by 2030, five years ahead of the requirements of [Local Law 140](#). The announcement was made at the International Auto Show at the Javits Center. Today's announcement builds on last year's announcement to accelerate the electrification of the Taxi and Limousine (TLC) Fleet to 2027. DCAS is procuring 29 additional EVs for taxi enforcement now and is on pace for 2027.



Law enforcement units require additional outfitting and equipping beyond standard fleet units. This can include bullet proof shielding, lights and sirens packages, radio and computer outfitting, heavy duty suspension, and interior partitions. As we discussed in a previous [newsletter](#), NYPD also tests these units for their operational capacity under the extreme stress that can be required of some types of emergency response.

Of the 1,012 electric units in operation, 781 or 77% are fully electric (BEV) and the remaining 231 are plug in hybrid electric (PHEV). We have an additional 115 EVs on order. Law enforcement agencies also operate 3,454 hybrid electric units with 722 more on order. When all orders are received, NYC's fleet will include 5,390 plug-in electric or hybrid electric law enforcement units.



For NYPD and agencies like DEP, where law enforcement operates in the wide-open upstate reservoir areas, there remain additional challenges to EV adoption. These include range capacity, especially for long distance use and multiple shifts per day; fast charging capacity; and backup emergency power contingencies. Fleet will be evaluating the effectiveness of these existing EV enforcement units and also working with manufacturers to develop additional BEV and PHEV enforcement options.

DEP's Frank Milazzo, Chief of the Bureau of Police and Security, discusses the EV transition: "The DEP Police are currently operating nineteen (19) Battery Electric Vehicles (BEVs) in our Fleet, a combination of Ford Mach-Es and Chevy Silverado EVs. Overall, the vehicles have been well received by our Officers who report a mostly easy transition from (ICE) internal combustion engine vehicles into the Fleet of BEVs. We have also noticed a significant lowering of time out of service at Fleet Garages and overall increase up time as some of our BEVs exceed 50,000 or 70,000 miles driven. As with any new endeavor there are of course challenges, consistent access to charging, especially DC Fast Charging, and winter range reduction upstate require some additional planning by our Officers to accomplish their assignments."



Electrifying law enforcement is a very complex endeavor and there is far more work and investment needed. The 1,000 EV threshold is significant and represents the largest EV law enforcement fleet in North America. DCAS wants to thank all law enforcement agencies for their continuing partnership and especially DSNY, Parks, DCAS and TLC enforcement for accelerating the EV transition.





This show highlights vendors who support the New York City's Clean Fleet and Vision Zero initiatives, and daily operations. Vendors will offer a wide array of products to improve vehicle safety. The show will also highlight vehicles and equipment with alternative fuels and emissions-reducing technologies, along with the latest in light and heavy-duty vehicles, trucks, horticultural equipment, tools, fleet services, and more!

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 - Kickboxing at 5:30 PM
 - Vinyasa Yoga at 7 PM
- **Bronx:** April 30 @ North Central Bronx Hospital (3424 Kossuth Avenue)
 - Chair Barre at 5:30 PM
 - Pilates at 7 PM
- **Brooklyn:** May 6 @ Brooklyn Borough Hall (1209 Joralemon Street)
 - Dance Cardio at 5:30 PM
 - Calisthenics at 7 PM
- **Queens:** May 7 @ NY School Construction Authority (25-01 Jackson Avenue)
 - HIIT at 5:30 PM
 - Mobility & stretching at 7 PM

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