

DCAS Opens Largest Public EV Charging Hub at Forest Park, Queens

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On September 22 at Forest Park, Queens, DCAS and NYC Parks cut the ribbon on the largest city-operated electric vehicle (EV) fast charging hub open to the general public. Ten new fast chargers, two of which are designed specifically for accessibility, will now support electric vehicle adoption throughout the borough.

Joining the event and [announcement](#) were DCAS Commissioner Yume Kitasei, Parks First Deputy Commissioner Mark Focht, TLC Deputy Commissioner James DiGiovanni, Empire Clean Cities Joy Gardner, Laura Shepard of the Queens

Borough President's Office, and many fleet and operational representatives from Parks, DCAS, FDNY, DOT, and Con Edison.

DCAS now offers 26 fast chargers for general public use, most in partnership with NYC Parks. In addition to Forest Park, these are at Randalls Island, Manhattan; Midland and South Beach in Staten Island; and Flushing Meadows Parks, Queens. A full listing is available [here](#).



These fast chargers are among the most affordable in the city, at a cost of 35 cents per kilowatt hour (kWh) during peak hours and 30 cents off-peak, offering New Yorkers a lower-cost way to go and stay electric. DCAS also announced plans to expand the public EV charging network to at least 34 additional public chargers citywide with additional plans in development. Since 2021, over 300,000 New Yorkers have used DCAS charging sites.

In total, DCAS and NYC DOT offer over 2,600 charging ports to support city vehicles and the general public. DCAS network chargers have been used over 1.6 million times, with many additional charge-ups on non-networked chargers. DCAS offers over 450 fast chargers to date. Most of the DCAS network supports the now over [6,000 electric vehicles](#) operated by the fleet, while NYC DOT focuses on publicly accessible chargers. However, DCAS will continue to expand its own public network at sites with readily available accessibility.

Thanks to the DCAS team that manages electric charging including Brent Taylor, Fiona Crisp, and Asad Choudhry. Many thanks to the Con Edison team that joined us at the event, including Sheryar Al-Khamash, Bryan Purcell, Steven Jacobs, Dylan Trott, Ian Furlay, Frank Catanzaro, Francisco Ortiz-Martinez, and Alexander Buell. Con Edison is an essential partner in this effort and DCAS works in the field with Con Edison every day assessing sites for new charging, obtaining authorizations to build, and getting sites activated after DCAS builds them.

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7:30 a.m.

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8:30 a.m.

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