

## New Mobility Funding in Michigan

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Greetings!

As we move into spring and brighter days ahead, I wanted to let you know about an exciting funding opportunity that the NextEnergy team has been working on behind the scenes. We recently partnered with Michigan's Office of Future Mobility and Electrification and the Michigan Department of Transportation to launch the [Michigan Mobility Funding Platform](#).



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**Jim Saber**  
President & CEO

The platform, built upon the success of PlanetM Mobility Grants, provides deployment and testing grants to catalyze and scale mobility solutions that address the prominent needs of Michigan communities. We are looking for your innovative and intelligent solutions in three key areas:

- **Sustainable futures:** Improve environmental sustainability by encouraging electric vehicle adoption and the buildout of EV charging infrastructure.
- **Equitable futures:** Alleviate mobility barriers and increase access to affordable and reliable transportation options.
- **Multimodal transportation:** Modernize existing transportation systems and keep Michigan at the forefront across all connected and autonomous transportation modes.

The first round of applications will be reviewed starting July 1, 2021, and we encourage your organizations to [apply](#). Need a little more guidance on the process or simply want to know more? Contact a member of our team!

In the meantime, check out our article "[Seven Pilot Project Pitfalls to Avoid](#)" and stay tuned for updates on our work via NextEnergy's website and social media platforms.

We look forward to working with you to deploy and test your technologies.

- Jim

# Viewpoints

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## Seven Pilot Project Pitfalls to Avoid

NextEnergy is experienced in leading and executing public-private partnership pilot projects. Through our work, we have had the opportunity to learn a great deal about positioning pilot projects for success.

Navigating a pilot project towards successful outcomes can be tricky. There are many factors to take into account. This month we're highlighting 7 pilot project pitfalls to avoid along the technology developer's journey.

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## What We're Reading

We've asked the NextEnergy team to share the industry-related news, stories and information that have grabbed their attention this month. We hope you find it useful! [For more recommendations, you can explore past editions on our website.](#)

Tim Slusser, Director, Smart Mobility

What he's reading: [Why Electric Cars Can't Come Fast Enough](#)

Media: Boston Consulting Group

**What makes it interesting:** This article covers topics ranging from EVs impact on global emissions to methods to accelerate EV adoption globally. It's a great read for anyone looking to better understand what the EV market will look like over the



next 10+ years.



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## News & Events

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### Michigan Sustainability Conference



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ENVIRONMENT, GREAT LAKES, AND ENERGY

NextEnergy is speaking at The Michigan Sustainability Conference (MISCON) taking place June 2-4, 2021.

MISCON is Michigan's one of a kind event for transforming social and environmental sustainability. Attendees will gain the tools they need to move from traditional procedures to best practices using science, technology, storytelling, and partnerships to meet the underlying demand for social and environmental sustainability.

Be sure to check out our session on Friday, June 4th at 1:15PM!

[Register](#)

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### 2021 Summer Study on Energy Efficiency in Industry- Virtual

Dates: July 12-15, 2021

ACEEE's 14th biennial conference will offer a provocative and dynamic discussion of industry on the brink of transformation. With industry accounting for more than one-fourth of U.S. greenhouse gas emissions, its decarbonization is more important than ever, and energy efficiency is a critical path forward. [Learn more.](#)

### 2021 Virtual Energy Exchange

Dates: August 2-6, 2021

The U.S. Department of Energy's Federal Energy Management Program (FEMP) will host nearly 2,500 energy and water professionals across the federal, public and private sectors at Energy Exchange 2021. The training event will focus on providing the resources and tools necessary to meet the ambitious goals and challenges associated with becoming efficient, resilient, sustainable, and secure in support of continuous mission operations, regardless of operating conditions. [Learn more.](#)

## Funding Opportunities

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### Active

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#### [REMADE Institute](#)

**Deadline:** June 3, 2021

**Awards:** \$22.5

#### [Assistance to High Energy Cost Communities](#)

**Deadline:** July 6, 2021

**Awards:** \$10M

#### [Assisting Federal Facilities with Energy Conservation Technologies \(AFFECT\)](#)

**Deadline:** July 16, 2021

**Awards:** \$13M

### Rolling

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- [Business Accelerator Fund](#)
- [Energy Foundation Grants](#)
- [The Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy Loans for Michigan Businesses](#)

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