Broward County Transit

Electric Bus Program Implementation



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WHY GO ELECTRIC?

- **❖** Advancement of a cleaner, more sustainable, innovative transportation and energy technologies system
- Environmental and health benefits to the riding public
- Ride quality / experience
- **Cost per mile savings**
- Reduces maintenance and operational cost





Planning & Analysis

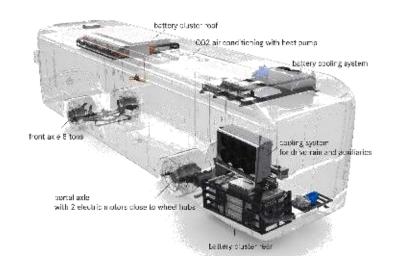
- **❖ Route and Schedule Evaluation**
 - √ Length of route
 - ✓ Layovers and bus stops
 - ✓ Deadhead miles
- Service Type
 - √ Local
 - **✓ Express**
 - √ Circulator
- *** Fleet Replacement Schedule**
- Coordination with Local Utility Company





Planning & Analysis

- Space / bus parking requirement
- Bus Procurement
 - √ Type of vehicle
 - ✓ Range
 - √ Battery capacity
 - √ Warranty
 - √ Maintainability
- Efficient and viable charging infrastructure (AC or DC)
- **Electrification Phasing**



BATTERY SECT



Installation

Charging Infrastructure

- **❖ Power/grid requirement**
- Type of chargers
 - ✓ Depot
 - √ En-route
- *** Charging requirements**
 - √ Kilowatts
 - √ Charge rate
 - √ Number of units
- Specification of electric equipment





BATTERY RIFCTE



Installation

Additional Infrastructure

- **Smart Charging Network**
- Backup power (redundancy)
- **Electrical rooms**
- Fleet Car Chargers

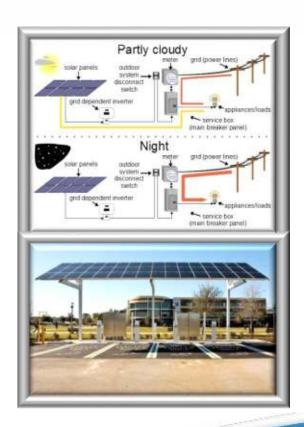




Installation

Solar Initiatives

- Solar canopies
- **❖** Solar panels roof installation
- **❖** Reduce grid dependence





Challenges

- **❖** Upfront capital cost / funding vehicle and infrastructure
- Charging
 - ✓ Interoperability
 - ✓ Standards
- Management
 - ✓ Space
 - ✓ Charging
- **❖** Training and driver behavior
- Climate
 - ✓ Rainfall
 - ✓ Heat



