

# National Express Continues to be a Trailblazer in its Role as an Environmentally Responsible Transportation Partner

*In Celebration of Earth Day, National Express Continues to be a Trailblazer in its Role as an Environmentally Responsible Transportation Partner*

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/EINPresswire.com/ -- [National Express, LLC \(NELLC\)](#) is proud to celebrate Earth

Day and continue its active role in protecting and preserving the planet by advocating for and participating in sustainability initiatives. In celebration

of Earth Day this year, National Express' WeDriveU shuttle division is holding nationwide events promoting shared alternatives to driving to work alone, showcasing electric vehicle (EV) demos and Earth-friendly seed card passenger giveaways made in the U.S.A. of organic, handmade

paper incorporating elements from nature including flower petals and seeds.

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As a leader in the school bus, transit, and shuttle transportation space, National Express understands the importance of reducing its carbon footprint and greenhouse gases for the betterment of the planet and the health of its citizens and students. Over the years, NELLC has taken countless steps in building and advocating for a greener tomorrow and has ramped up its efforts in recent years. Most recently, the company appointed industry veteran [Nick Voisard](#) in a newly created role as Senior Director of Electric Vehicles for North America. In his new

role, Nick will be responsible for expanding NELLC's existing and new efforts in transitioning to an all zero-emission fleet across its school bus, transit, and shuttle divisions by 2040.

NELLC's other notable sustainability efforts also include:



Kern Transit Electric Bus in Bakersfield, CA

- Partnered with Con Edison and participated in an innovative vehicle-to-grid (V2G) bi-directional charging [electric school bus study](#).

- Total Transit Enterprises, a National Express Transit Company that operates the Sabino Canyon Crawlers, has managed an emission-free electric fleet since 2020

- Moved to fully synthetic oils in all of our fleets, which has allowed us to extend the life of our oil services and reduce our oil waste stream by 50%.

- Utilizing hybrid vehicles, renewable diesel, and alternate fuels in many of our locations.

- Upgrading lighting fixtures in our facilities throughout North America to high output LED fixtures.

- Optimizing our routes and tracking vehicle speed to focus on reducing mileage and fuel consumption.

- Instituting a no-idle policy, which helps reduce fuel consumption and harmful emissions.



WeDriveU dispatcher Kelsey Donaldson at its Earth Day event

Furthermore, through its company-wide Partners Beyond the Bus community outreach program, NELLC team members on the local level volunteer year-round in various community events related to environmental sustainability, such as park cleanups, Adopt-a-Highway programs, recycling, donating, and more. Through these combined efforts at the corporate and local level, NELLC has been able to further solidify its position as a leading environmentally responsible partner.

“I am proud of the steps and progress National Express has made in becoming an environmentally conscious company,” said Gary Waits, CEO of National Express, LLC. “Our team members continuously seek out and engage in sustainability practices, whether that be through reducing fuel consumption, recycling and repurposing parts, or our expanding efforts in EV. Ultimately, it is our responsibility to help reduce the world’s carbon footprint and create a more sustainable future for generations to come. We hope to lead by example and inspire other companies to become an active participant in protecting the environment.”

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About National Express: National Express LLC (NELLC) is the North American subsidiary of National Express Group, PLC, one of the premier transportation firms in the United Kingdom. We operate across 34 states and three provinces. All organizations share a strong commitment to provide the highest level of transportation safety, quality transportation, outstanding customer

service and positive employee relations. National Express School (NEXS) operates more than 22,500 school buses, serves more than 550 school districts in 34 states and three provinces, and transports more than 1.3 million students (\*pre-Covid) on a daily basis. National Express Transit (NEXT) operations transport more than 22 million passengers annually with more than 2,800 vehicles. National Express Shuttle (WeDriveU) serves more than nine million corporate and university passengers annually. NELLC's corporate headquarters, located in Lisle, Illinois, houses the administrative and corporate support functions for the organization. Our 290+ local customer service centers (CSCs) are supported by regional operations teams located throughout North America.

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