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## 30 Scion iQ Electric Vehicle Fleet For Car-sharing Program



Electric vehicle and Scion enthusiasts in the Pleasanton, CA area may rejoice. Thirty electric Scion iQs have been provided by Toyota to City Car Share for the [Dash](#) program in Pleasanton. They will be positioned at 15 sites, with two vehicles at each location. Three sites have already been selected: Schneider Electric on West Las Positas Blvd., CBRE and Nevada Pacific.

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This electric car-sharing program is for travelers in need of short-distance trips of up to 40 miles. This is also the range of the Scion iQ Ev, a compact vehicle that can be re-charged in approximately three hours. They will be available at hourly rates. Since most trips in the contained area are fairly short, using one of the EVs should be affordable for anyone interested in car-sharing.

“City CarShare is pleased to introduce Pleasanton’s first electric car-sharing vehicles at Hacienda, through our Dash fleet. By providing a car-sharing option for commuters, we are working towards our

goal to take 20,000 cars off of Bay Area roads by 2020, while promoting and encouraging transit, walking, carpooling and cycling,” said Rick Hutchinson, CEO of City CarShare.

Using a Scion for an errand or do go to lunch with colleagues might be a good way for a someone who is interested in driving an [EV](#) to have a good first experience. According to a US federal website, an electric Scion costs about [84 cents to drive 25 miles](#), for the electricity.

City Car Share is using electric vehicles because they help achieve their goal of reducing CO2 emissions. Car sharing also decreases traffic congestion, because in some urban areas it can replace individual car ownership. Public transportation such as city trains and buses can cover work commutes and other trips, but there can still be some gaps. Short distance trips to grocery stores or healthcare professionals can be undertaken with car-shares, walking or biking.

Researchers at UC-Berkeley will study the DASH program’s impacts and make their findings available to the public.

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