

PRESS RELEASE

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ELECTRIC VEHICLE INITIATIVE



A Florida family traveled to Lee County High Tech Central on Thursday, March 26, 2009, to show that 100 plus miles per gallon is a possibility for cars right now. The mom, dad, and daughter want to show Florida's citizens examples of the non-polluting, efficient, electric cars that can be built by bringing their Electric Vehicle Initiative on a tour of the state. They will be showing people throughout the state many types of all-electric and plug-in hybrid electric cars that exist right now. Their long journey will stop in all the major cities of Florida.

The purpose of The Electric Vehicle Initiative is to educate the public about the benefits and possibilities of electric and hybrid/electric cars. The family met with students in the Automotive Service Technology, Electricity, and Electronic Technology programs

Fran Sullivan-Fahs, Communications President for the Initiative states, "For years we

have wanted to do something substantial to help the environment. Empowering people to take control of their transportation costs while taking a big chunk out of global warming is our desired contribution.”

Join the trip blog at:

<http://eviblog.floridaaaa.org>

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The Initiative provides contact information to help individuals and fleet owners meet their needs for total electric and hybrid electric transportation. For more information, contact Fran Sullivan-Fahs at 850-656-5409.

Students in the Automotive Service Technology, Electricity, and Electronic Technology programs at Lee County High Tech Center Central are doing a complete DC electric conversion of a 2001 Ford Ranger as part of their training. When completed, the vehicle will be able to travel 50 miles on a single charge. Students working on the conversion, Everton Davids, Stephen Davis, Martin Goldberg, and Robert Vaquerano, are learning the latest electrical and electronic technology that will be introduced in the automotive industry in the near future.

High Tech Central is located at 3800 Michigan Avenue in Fort Myers. For more information, please call 334-4544.

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