

Fast Charging- The Save Mart Companies' Commitment to its Communities and a Greener Future

As the largest family-owned grocer in California, operating 204 stores across California and northern Nevada, The Save Mart Companies is invested in the success of their communities. Save Mart, Lucky, Lucky California, and FoodMaxx stores don't just serve the community, they are a vital part of the communities they serve and have long been committed to environmental best practices.



Lucky Store, San Leandro, CA

Each year, The Save Mart Companies stores divert 85% of their waste from landfills. In 2020 alone they composted over 11,000 tons of organic waste and recycled more than 35,000 tons of cardboard and 524 tons of soft plastic. The Save Mart Companies trucks run on 100% renewable drop-in diesel and utilize state-of-the-art distribution center software that minimizes emissions by determining the most-efficient travel routes.

“Many drivers in California and Nevada are transitioning to electric vehicles. By providing EV charging stations at our stores, The Save Mart Companies is helping to forge the path towards a greener future.”

- Hal Levitt
Senior Vice President, Retail Operations
The Save Mart Companies

The Save Mart Companies began partnering with EVgo in 2015, installing their first electric charging station at the Fremont, CA Lucky store. This station was the largest publicly available multi-standard fast-charging site in the nation at the time. They've continued their commitment to the environment by installing 31 additional fast chargers and two L2 chargers since that first fast-charging station was installed.

The Save Mart Companies customers charged over 1.7 million minutes in 66,500+ sessions in 2019 alone, each session powered by EVgo's 100% renewable energy commitment. Those 2019 charging sessions added up to more than 2.6 million zero emission miles, avoiding 1,000+ pounds of CO₂ emissions. Today, The Save Mart Companies offers electric vehicle charging stations at 22 stores, providing their customers with a fast and convenient way to charge their EVs while they shop. EV charging is one of the ways The Save Mart Companies demonstrates that their sustainability pledge and commitment to their communities are critical to their core values.

Fast Charging Project Highlights:

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EVgo Charging Locations

66,558

Annual EVgo Fast Charging Sessions

1,759,269

Annual Charging Minutes

1,068

Lbs CO₂ Avoided

2,647,676

Zero Emission Miles