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There are 289 Culver's restaurants in the country, that use a combined 22,000 pounds of vegetable oil every year. Now, it's not going to waste. Two franchise owners have converted their cars to run on an oil-diesel blend of fuel. Now, with a \$15,000 grant from the State, Culver's and the Madison Environmental Group hope they can help more franchisee's to do the same.

"I never dreamt I'd be thinking about butter burgers and fueling cars as well, but you know, who knows?!" Says Craig Culver, co-founder of Culver's.

Rebecca Grossberg of the Madison Environmental Group says the alternative fuel is cheaper, and burns cleaner than other fuel. According to Grossberg, someone who drives 10,000 miles a year will save about \$350. Culver's franchisee, and frymobile driver Russ Trzebiatowski says his VW Beetle runs just as efficiently and gets the same gas mileage as it did before he converted the engine to run on oil-based fuel.