

Supporting B.C. Communities

The Ministry of Community Development has recently made significant investments across B.C. to help stimulate the economy, maintain stability and keep British Columbians working. The following communities are benefiting from funding through LocalMotion (LM) and Towns for Tomorrow (T4T), in partnership with the Government of Canada, as well as through the provincial government's Strategic Community Investment Fund (SCIF), the Climate Action Revenue Incentive Program (CARIP), Infrastructure Planning Grants (Study) and Trees for Tomorrow (Trees), which includes non-local governments (NLG).

Region	Local Government	Program	Project	Grant Amount
1 Vancouver Island / Coast	Alberni-Clayoquot (RD)	T4T	Bamfield Water System Upgrades	160,000
		SCIF		247,330
	Alert Bay	CARIP		332
		SCIF		506,406
	Campbell River	LM	Penfield West Linear Park	274,284
		LM	Highway 19A Pedestrian Corridor	56,000
		Trees	Spirit Square - BC150 Grove	27,500
		CARIP		4,634
		Study	Tidal Power Feasibility Study	10,000
		Study	Asset Management Roadmap	10,000
		Study	Feasibility Study for Transporting Waste Solids from the NVEC to Elk Falls Mill	10,000
		SCIF		493,238
	Capital (RD)	T4T	Port Renfrew Fire & Community Centre Energy Refit & Construction	400,000
		LM	Galloping Goose Regional Trail Section Upgrade	275,387
		Trees	Reforestation of Hartland Landfill Site	50,000
		CARIP		11,748
		SCIF		78,104
	Central Saanich	Trees	East Saanich Road Greenway	50,000
		CARIP		1,966
		SCIF		563,853
	Colwood	Trees	Colwood Creek Park Tree Planting	20,000
		CARIP		1,244
		SCIF		437,622
	Comox	T4T	Comox Pedestrian Safety/Transit	375,000
		LM	Guthrie Road Cycle Lane Extensions	49,350
		Trees	Macdonald Road Urban Aforestation Initiative	30,000
		CARIP		1,859
SCIF			512,971	
Comox Valley (RD)	T4T	Denman Island Water Local Service Area - Water Quality Improvement	377,600	
	Trees	CVRD Campbell River Compost Education Centre and Community Garden Enhancement	2,000	
	CARIP		923	
	Study	Water System Condition and Water Quality Study for Ships Point Improvement District	8,800	

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1 Vancouver Island / Coast	Comox Valley (RD), con't.	Study	Organics Compost Facility - Preliminary Design	10,000
		SCIF		208,278
	Courtenay	Trees	Courtenay Heritage - BC150 Grove	50,000
		CARIP		3,252
		SCIF		313,852
	Cowichan Valley (RD)	T4T	Kerry Village Sewer System Upgrade	400,000
		Trees	Cobble Hill Community Project	50,000
		CARIP		1,427
		Study	Shawnigan Lake Water Source Study: 4-3-2-1 VIHA Compliance for Surface Water Treatment Policy	10,000
		Study	Saltair Water Source Study: 4-3-2-1 VIHA Compliance for Surface Water Treatment Policy	10,000
		SCIF		195,261
	Cumberland	T4T	Cumberland Wastewater Lagoon System Upgrades	400,000
		Study	Village of Cumberland Long Range Domestic Water Supply Strategy Study	10,000
		SCIF		574,110
	Duncan	T4T	Craig Street Downtown Revitalization	400,000
		LM	Centennial Park	275,442
		Trees	Centennial Park Redevelopment	6,096
		CARIP		1,189
		Study	Duncan Warm Lands Energy Initiative: Renewable Energy Infrastructure Assessment	10,000
		SCIF		701,891
	Esquimalt	LM	Esquimalt New Sidewalk Construction Program - Phase 1	74,310
		Trees	Gorge Creek Reforestation	3,150
		CARIP		4,440
		Study	Retrofit Design for the Gorge Waterway Discovery Centre in Esquimalt	10,000
		SCIF		686,005
	Gold River	T4T	Arena Refrigeration Plant Upgrade	360,000
		CARIP		797
SCIF			489,960	
Highlands	CARIP		116	
	SCIF		458,973	
Islands Trust	CARIP		500	
	SCIF		234,313	
Ladysmith	T4T	Multi-use Sports Fields	375,000	
	CARIP		1,980	
	SCIF		654,560	
Lake Cowichan	T4T	Domestic Water Metering Stage 1	400,000	
	Trees	Trees for Lake Cowichan	50,000	
	CARIP		724	
	Study	Program to Convert Organic Waste to Compost and Energy	10,000	
	SCIF		584,090	

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1 Vancouver Island / Coast	Langford	LM	Goldstream Active Transportation Improvements	244,293
		Trees	City of Langford Trees for Tomorrow	50,000
		CARIP		1,659
		SCIF		267,185
	Lantzville	CARIP		1,031
		SCIF		575,861
	Metchosin	T4T	Morrow Bridge Replacement	400,000
		CARIP		204
		SCIF		655,876
	Mount Waddington (RD)	T4T	Woss Community Centre and Fire Hall Improvements	388,700
		CARIP		942
		SCIF		266,856
	Nanaimo (RD)	T4T	Drinking Water & Watershed Protection Monitoring Program	221,625
		Study	Biosolids Management Strategy Review	10,000
		Study	Nanoose Pollution Control Centre Upgrade Plan	10,000
		Study	Septic Maintenance Program	10,000
		CARIP		14,769
		LM	Meadow Drive Community Park Development	36,991
		SCIF		169,226
	Nanaimo, City	Trees	Maffeo-Sutton Park Improvement - BC150 Grove	50,000
		CARIP		23,110
		SCIF		1,311,150
	North Cowichan	CARIP		9,394
		SCIF		328,669
	North Saanich	CARIP		1,033
		SCIF		543,267
	Oak Bay	CARIP		6,267
		SCIF		498,943
	Parksville	T4T	Wright Road - Water Distribution Upgrade	105,000
		CARIP		3,242
		SCIF		553,558
	Port Alberni	CARIP		10,284
		Study	Update of 1995 Regional Water Study	10,000
SCIF			678,594	
Port Alice	T4T	Community Centre Upgrade	400,000	
	CARIP		185	
	SCIF		400,482	
Port Hardy	T4T	Port Hardy Curling Club Accessibility and Energy Efficiency Retrofit	155,200	
	Trees	Port Hardy Horticultural Enhancement Initiative	20,277	
	CARIP		862	
	Study	Park Drive Upgrades	10,000	
	SCIF		697,997	
Port McNeill	CARIP		1,092	
	SCIF		604,537	

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1 Vancouver Island / Coast	Powell River	CARIP		7,027
		T4T	Accessible Sidewalk Development Program	375,000
		Trees	Duncan Street - Greening the Airport Corridor	35,000
		Study	Asset Management	10,000
		SCIF		558,901
	Powell River (RD)	SCIF		260,347
		T4T	Texada Island Tennis Court Upgrades	57,420
		CARIP		274
		Study	Lund Water System Feasibility Study	10,000
		Study	Hydrogeological Investigation for Shelter Point Wells on Texada Island	10,000
		Study	Savary Shores Water System Planning Study	6,450
	Qualicum Beach	T4T	Qualicum Beach Roundabout	375,000
		LM	School Connector Route Upgrades	100,000
		Trees	Qualicum Beach Entrance Planting - BC150 Grove	12,402
		CARIP		2,426
		SCIF		581,629
	Saanich	LM	Bowker Creek Greenway - Phase 1 - Browning Park & Wordsworth Section	235,000
		Trees	Baxter Park - BC150 Grove	31,000
		CARIP		20,874
		SCIF		1,735,188
	Sayward	T4T	Stormwater Management & Sewer System Rehabilitation	184,000
		CARIP		270
		SCIF		403,976
	Sidney	CARIP		1,561
		SCIF		534,313
	Sooke	T4T	Sooke Town Centre Accessible Sidewalks	230,199
		CARIP		418
		SCIF		579,174
	Strathcona (RD)	CARIP		419
		Study	Kyuquot Wastewater Treatment Options Study	10,000
		Study	Heriot Bay Liquid Waste Management Planning - Treatment Plant Process Selection	10,000
		Study	Heriot Bay Liquid Waste Management Planning - Marine Discharge	10,000
		Study	Quathiaski Cove Community Sewerage System - Service Area Expansion	7,500
SCIF			247,330	
Tahsis	T4T	Alpine View Road Upgrades	400,000	
	CARIP		270	
	SCIF		418,441	

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1 Vancouver Island / Coast	Tofino	T4T	Lynn Road & Osprey Lane Roundabout	244,800
		CARIP		1,116
		Study	Fernwood Neighbourhood/ Stadacona Park Re-tree	10,000
		SCIF		408,222
	Ucluelet	T4T	Wild Pacific Trail Expansion	76,000
		Trees	Community Centre Hub Green Landscaping	17,750
		CARIP		1,116
		Study	Sewage Lagoon Sludge Removal Study	10,000
		SCIF		416,547
	Victoria	Trees	Stadacona Park Re-treeing	41,250
		CARIP		28,041
		SCIF		2,487,380
	View Royal	CARIP		372
		Study	Community Energy and GHG Emissions Sustainability Plan	10,000
		SCIF		608,459
	Zeballos	SCIF		446,231
	OTHER - Brentwood Bay (NLG)	Trees NLG	Native Plants for the Blue Grouse	8,000
	OTHER - Chemainus (NLG)	Trees NLG	Tree Planting on the Urban Interface of Valdes Island	24,000
		Trees NLG	Tree Planting on Kuper Island	25,000
	OTHER - Mayne Island (NLG)	Trees NLG	Henderson Park Restoration Project	3,700
OTHER - Port Alberni (NLG)	Trees NLG	Community Tree Planting Program	50,000	
OTHER - Powell River (NLG)	Trees NLG	Remediation of Brooks Secondary Bank	50,000	
OTHER - Shawnigan Lake (NLG)	Trees NLG	Shawnigan Lake School Trees for Tomorrow Reforestation Project	25,000	
OTHER - Victoria (NLG)	Trees NLG	Housepost Restoration Project	4,000	
	Trees NLG	Reynolds Green Spaces Components Projects	16,435	

Towns for Tomorrow (T4T) is a five-year, \$71-million program that helps smaller communities and regional districts with infrastructure projects. Towns for Tomorrow provides up to 80 per cent of funding for communities under 5,000, to a maximum of \$400,000, and 75 per cent of funding for communities up to 15,000, to a maximum of \$375,000. As a result of a commitment on the part of all levels of government to accelerate the disbursement of infrastructure funding to stimulate the economy and meet the needs of communities, the federal government is proudly supporting the Towns for Tomorrow program. To learn more, go to www.townsfortomorrow.gov.bc.ca.

LocalMotion (LM) is a four-year, \$40-million program helping communities to build capital projects like bike paths, walkways and greenways, reducing greenhouse gas emissions and making communities more senior- and disability-friendly. The program provides local governments with up to 50 per cent funding for approved projects up to a maximum contribution of \$1 million. As a result of a commitment on the part of all levels of government to accelerate the disbursement of infrastructure funding to stimulate the economy, the federal government is proudly supporting the LocalMotion program. For more information, visit www.localmotion.gov.bc.ca.

The Towns for Tomorrow and LocalMotion projects are part of an overall \$14-billion capital infrastructure program supported by the Province that will create up to 88,000 jobs and help build vital public infrastructure in every region of B.C.

Strategic Community Investment Fund (SCIF): Through a restructuring of provincial grant programs, communities will see more funding sooner, giving them greater certainty and improved financial flexibility. Payments will be made on the basis of Strategic Community Investment Agreements with local governments. The first \$133-million instalment on this two-year, \$232-million initiative consists of the Traffic Fine Revenue Sharing Program and Small Community and Regional District Grants.

- **The Traffic Fine Revenue Sharing Program:** Of the initial \$133-million payment under the Strategic Community Investment Fund, \$63 million will help municipalities enhance policing and community-based public safety programs. The Province has provided 100 per cent of net traffic fine revenues to local governments since 2004, amounting to an additional \$206 million. Traffic fine revenue comes from fines on violation tickets, and the amount a municipality receives is based on its contribution to total municipal policing costs.
- **Small Community and Regional District Grants:** \$70 million of the initial \$133-million payment under the Strategic Community Investment Fund will support local governments this year as part of the Province's continuing commitment to help provide services in areas with smaller tax bases. The grant allocation takes into account three elements: basic funding for all municipalities with a population of less than 15,000; population-based funding; and property assessment-based funding. This year's payment fulfils the Province's commitment to double these grants over four years.

Trees for Tomorrow (Trees) is a five-year, \$13-million program that is supporting community organizations, First Nations and local governments in urban and rural areas in planting four million trees in the public areas of cities, towns, villages and regional districts throughout B.C. In its first year, the program is providing approximately \$3 million to support the planting of trees and the implementation of other energy-saving initiatives across British Columbia. The initiative, first announced in the 2008 speech from the throne, involves cost-sharing with a range of applicants and stewardship organizations. To learn more, visit www.treesfortomorrow.gov.bc.ca.

The Infrastructure Planning Grant Program (Study) is providing over \$660,000 to help municipalities and regional districts with plans to design, develop and manage sustainable infrastructure. Through the program, local governments can receive up to \$10,000 in grant funding. Often these grants fund studies that help communities apply for infrastructure project funding. For example, almost half the projects submitted to the Canada-B.C. Municipal Rural Infrastructure Fund (MRIF) for funding were initiated with infrastructure planning grants.

The Climate Action Revenue Incentive Program (CARIP) helps communities that have committed to the goal of becoming carbon neutral in their corporate operations by 2012, under the BC Climate Action Charter. These communities are among 174 local governments across B.C. (as of March 31, 2009) to provide a signed copy of the Charter. The program provides local governments with grants to offset 100 per cent of the carbon tax they have directly paid for fossil fuel purchases.

The RuralBC Secretariat, established by the Province in 2008, helps local governments access the tools they need to achieve their unique visions for the future. The secretariat provides a direct service and information link between the provincial government and B.C.'s rural communities. The secretariat's regional managers are there to help communities take advantage of the most appropriate programs and sources of provincial and federal funding and identify opportunities to diversify local economies. Local governments are encouraged to visit www.ruralbc.gov.bc.ca for more information.



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