

# 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
2 Mainland / Southwest	Abbotsford	LM	Discovery Trail - Willband Creek to Whatcom Road	939,826
		Trees	Coniferous Forest Ecosystem Enhancement	19,000
		CARIP		27,047
		SCIF		2,543,789
	Anmore	CARIP		446
		SCIF		431,821
	Belcarra	CARIP		115
		SCIF		337,812
	Bowen Island	CARIP		768
		SCIF		525,784
	Burnaby	Trees	Taylor Park	30,000
		Study	Kaymar Creek Integrated Stormwater Management Plan	10,000
		CARIP		
		SCIF		2,900,678
	Chilliwack	LM	South Sumas Road Sidewalk Construction	27,503
		LM	Hamilton Avenue Sidewalk Construction	35,250
		LM	Keith Wilson Road Concrete Walkway	17,514
		LM	Bernard Avenue Sidewalk Construction	22,500
		CARIP		16,738
		SCIF		1,081,376
Coquitlam	LM	Whiting - Westview Bike Route	59,063	
	Trees	Coquitlam Tree Planting Project	38,010	
	CARIP		25,505	
	SCIF		1,540,221	
Delta	Trees	Boulevard Tree Planting Incentive Program	50,000	
	CARIP		30,354	
	SCIF		1,922,102	
Fraser Valley (RD)	T4T	Hope Arena Roof Replacement & Enhanced Dressing Room	375,000	
	Trees	Neilson Regional Park Replanting	1,500	
	CARIP		717	
	Study	Canyon Alpine Water System Assessment	10,000	
	SCIF		91,122	
Gibsons	T4T	Gibsons Aquifer Mapping Program	400,000	
	Trees	Community Centre Landscaping	50,000	
	CARIP		415	
	SCIF		614,951	

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2 Mainland / Southwest	Greater Vancouver (RD)	CARIP		28,147
		SCIF		91,122
	Harrison Hot Springs	T4T	Memorial Hall Renovations	400,000
		CARIP		319
		SCIF		413,573
	Hope	T4T	Kawkawa Lake Upgrades & Memorial Park Tennis Courts	188,426
		CARIP		1,239
		SCIF		756,866
	Kent	T4T	Highway No. 9 & Morrow Road Intersection Improvements	400,000
		CARIP		1,068
		SCIF		682,196
	Langley (City)	CARIP		3,435
		Study	Corporate Energy and GHG Emissions Sustainability	10,000
		SCIF		584,733
	Langley District / Township	LM	Bedford Landing Pedestrian Bridge	154,511
		Trees	Derek Double Day Arboretum	50,000
		CARIP		21,304
		SCIF		1,533,962
	Lillooet	T4T	Sewage Lift Station Upgrade and Water Conservation -Phase 1	400,000
		LM	Main Street Multi-use Pathway - Phase 1	120,000
		Trees	Main Street Corridor/Murray Park Enhancement	12,000
		CARIP		1,432
		Study	Municipal Wastewater Treatment - Solids Handling System, Assessment and Upgrading Study	9,250
		SCIF		561,875
	Lions Bay	T4T	Fire Rescue & Emergency Response Vehicle	271,728
		Trees	Lions Bay Reforestation and Beautification	6,000
		CARIP		283
		SCIF		387,521
Maple Ridge	LM	North Alouette River Greenway Bridge Crossing	49,500	
	CARIP		11,057	
	SCIF		1,005,312	
Mission	LM	East Mission Heritage Gateway	573,005	
	Trees	Riparian Areas Restoration - BC150 Grove	22,500	
	CARIP		9,064	
	SCIF		578,450	
New Westminster	CARIP		17,323	
	SCIF		1,444,675	
North Vancouver (City)	CARIP		5,044	
	SCIF		839,777	
North Vancouver (District)	CARIP		13,714	
	SCIF		1,109,254	

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2 Mainland / Southwest	Pemberton	T4T	Water Metering & Leak Detection	400,000
		LM	One Mile Lake Accessible Trail Improvements	40,000
		Trees	Village Tree Way	6,000
		CARIP		1,432
		SCIF		482,167
	Pitt Meadows	Trees	Community Civic Centre and Cenotaph Upgrade	50,000
		CARIP		2,798
		Study	Corporate Energy and GHG Emissions Sustainability Plan	10,000
		SCIF		506,733
	Port Coquitlam	Trees	Wellington Park/Birchwood Park Reforestation	9,564
		CARIP		11,672
		SCIF		768,127
	Port Moody	Trees	Shoreline Park Forest Revitalization	19,000
		CARIP		6,321
		SCIF		550,877
	Richmond	Trees	Richmond South Dyke Urban Forest - BC150 Grove	25,000
		CARIP		35,449
		SCIF		2,396,882
	Sechelt	T4T	East Porpoise Bay Road Upgrade	375,000
		Trees	Mission Point Park Rejuvenation	25,000
CARIP			899	
SCIF			600,080	
Sechelt (Indian Gov't District)	T4T	Sechelt Indian Gov't District - Waterfront Playground	31,909	
	SCIF		372,713	
Squamish	T4T	O'Siem Community Pavilion	375,000	
	CARIP		4,530	
	SCIF		562,737	
Squamish-Lillooet RD	CARIP		670	
	SCIF		260,347	
Sunshine Coast (RD)	T4T	Granthams Landing Water System Upgrade	400,000	
	CARIP		602	
	Study	Recycling Service Review Study	10,000	
	SCIF		247,330	
Surrey	LM	North Creek Pedestrian/Cycle Bridge - Stage 2	350,000	
	CARIP		96,184	
	SCIF		6,392,552	
Vancouver	Trees	Still Creek Enhancement	30,000	
	CARIP		173,725	
	SCIF		15,723,893	

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2 Mainland / Southwest	West Vancouver	Trees	Community Stewardship	6,860
		LM	Spirit Trail Greenway - Park Royal Shopping Centre/Lions Gate Bridge to McGuire Avenue (DNV)	490,503
		CARIP		14,373
		Study	GHG Assessment and Reduction Strategy Through an Integrated Resource Management Approach	10,000
		Study	Storm Sewer Infrastructure - Asset Management Plan	10,000
		SCIF		970,155
	Whistler	T4T	Valley Trail - Function Junction to Spring Creek	375,000
		CARIP		10,337
		Study	Rainwater Capture and Reuse Feasibility Study for Whistler's Municipal Buildings	7,500
		SCIF		678,821
	White Rock	LM	2009 Sidewalk Improvement - Vine Avenue At Hospital Street	38,338
		LM	2009 Sidewalk Improvement - Vine Avenue At Oxford Street	49,183
		Trees	White Rock Elementary School Boulevard	28,350
		CARIP		4,080
		SCIF		474,279
	OTHER - Abbotsford (NLG)	Trees NLG	"Carbonator" Project - Phase 1	8,000
	Other - Burnaby (NLG)	Trees NLG	Trees for Brentwood Park Elementary BC150 Grove	6,186
		Trees NLG	Marlborough School	4,000
		Trees NLG	Kitchener Elementary School	1,943
	OTHER - Lillooet (NLG)	Trees NLG	Ucwalmicw Centre Society	10,000
	OTHER - North Vancouver (City) (NLG)	Trees NLG	Xwemelch'stn Park Project	17,375
Trees NLG		Edible Garden Project	700	
Trees NLG		Cleveland Free the Trees	40,000	
OTHER - Richmond (NLG)	Trees NLG	School Ground Greening & Restoration	2,500	
OTHER - Surrey (NLG)	Trees NLG	Educational Tree Planting Project	24,440	
OTHER - Vancouver (NLG)	Trees NLG	Great Northern Way Campus Native Tree Planting Program	50,000	
	Trees NLG	Earth Day Vancouver Celebration Planting	43,100	
	Trees NLG	The New Urban Fence - UBC Farm Hedgerows	15,000	
OTHER - Xaxli'p (NLG)	Trees NLG	Xaxli'p Trees for Tomorrow	50,000	

**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](http://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](http://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](http://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](http://www.ruralbc.gov.bc.ca) for more information.



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