

COMMUNITY WILDFIRE EDUCATION GRANTS 2019

Community Wildfire Education Grants will help Basin communities deliver public education about wildfire risks and raise awareness about actions property owners and communities can take to mitigate the impacts of community wildfires. Following is a list of projects approved for funding.

Organization	Project Description	Amount
Village of Radium Hot Springs	Support residents to achieve FireSmart standards through public engagement, education and FireSmart assessments.	\$1,015
Village of Fruitvale and Village of Montrose	Support educational workshops on approaches that property owners can use to reduce the threat of wildfire. Specific neighbourhoods will also be identified as FireSmart priorities.	\$3,000
City of Kimberley	Support training to complete FireSmart property assessments, implement an annual FireSmart demonstration day and increase public engagement through FireSmart information sessions, an annual open house and FireSmart mitigation events.	\$7,520
District of Invermere	Deliver community wildfire public education by recruiting Community Champions, training local FireSmart representatives, and raising awareness about wildfire mitigation strategies through door-to-door information delivery, traditional and social media and promotion at public events.	\$8,227
City of Fernie	Expand public education and awareness activities including hiring a dedicated FireSmart coordinator who will provide education, and host community events and demonstrations.	\$22,190
Regional District of East Kootenay	Promote FireSmart to reduce wildfire mitigation risks on private properties and provide opportunities for increased engagement with rural communities in the Regional District of East Kootenay.	\$25,000
City of Rossland	Expand FireSmart public education and awareness activities, which include assisting priority wildfire hazard neighbourhoods to reduce wildfire risk, conducting hazard assessments for property owners, developing communications materials, offering training for Community Champions and hosting FireSmart events.	\$25,000
Columbia Shuswap Regional District Electoral Areas A and B.	Hire a FireSmart Coordinator to focus on FireSmart education and promotion within Columbia Shuswap Regional District Electoral Areas A and B. The Coordinator will provide training to local FireSmart representatives and Community Champions and work with these groups to host FireSmart community presentations, property assessments and clean-up days.	\$25,000
Village of Silverton	Work with the Slocan Integral Forestry Cooperative (SIFCo) to help property owners in the Slocan Valley understand how they can reduce wildfire risks, including hosting community events, creating an educational video, recruiting and training local FireSmart representatives, and helping the Villages of Silverton, Slocan and New Denver become FireSmart Home Partners.	\$38,000
		\$154,952

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