



Funding Your Community Energy and Climate Change Initiatives

A guide to funding and resources for
British Columbia local governments

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The 'first stop' for local government leaders addressing
energy sustainability and climate change



HOW TO USE THIS GUIDE

This guide for BC local governments is divided into two parts: a Funding Guide and a Resource Guide.

The **Funding Guide** is a comprehensive listing of programs for which BC local governments are eligible, that provide financial incentives for climate action, energy planning, efficiency, or renewable energy activities.

The **Resource Guide** is a listing of programs and organizations that provide non-financial resources to local governments to support climate action, energy planning, efficiency or renewable energy. These resources include information, advice, workshops and advocacy work. The Resource Guide also includes information on programs that provide financial incentives for which local governments are not eligible, but for which non-profit organizations, community groups, or local residents and businesses may apply.

Each entry includes the program title, description, restrictions on eligibility, organization, contact information and a website address. The Funding Guide also includes information on the amount of funds available, while the Resource Guide includes the types of support offered.

Both guides are organized alphabetically by program name. Each program has been categorized according to the key focus of each program: Buildings, Infrastructure, Renewables and Transportation. Many programs are applicable to more than one or sometimes all of the categories.

The cross-reference table enables quick identification of programs within categories and types of incentives or non-financial resources available.

While this guide presents numerous funding sources and resources for action on climate change, it is not intended to provide information for adaptation to impacts of climate change.

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This guide was updated July 2010. The Community Energy Association updates the guide quarterly, funding permitting. Funding programs and resources continue to change frequently. Please check the CEA website www.communityenergy.bc.ca for future updates.

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2. BC Local Government Infrastructure Planning Grant Program	●	●	●	●	●		●						
3. Build Canada Fund – Communities Component	●	●	●	●		●	●						
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6. ecoENERGY for Aboriginal and Northern Communities		●	●		●	●	●		●	●			
7. ecoENERGY for Renewable Heat		●	●			●	●						●
8. ecoENERGY for Renewable Power		●	●			●	●						
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10. Regional Economic Trust Funding for Energy Projects		●	●			●	●		●	●			
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15. Gas Tax Agreement – Community Works Fund	●	●	●	●	●	●	●						
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19. Innovative Clean Energy Fund		●	●			●	●						
20. Municipal Infrastructure Lending Program	●	●	●	●				●					
21. NDIIT Grant Writing Support Program	●	●	●	●			●		●				
22. Power Sense	●				●	●	●						
23. Power Smart Continuous Optimization Program	●				●		●			●			●
24. Power Smart High Performance Building Program	●				●	●	●		●				
25. Power Smart Partners	●				●	●	●		●				
26. Power Smart Product Incentive Program	●					●	●		●				
27. Power Smart - Community Energy Managers	●	●	●	●		●							
28. Power Smart – Design Charrettes	●	●	●	●	●		●						
29. Power Smart – District Energy Systems	●	●	●		●	●							
30. Power Smart – Sustainable Community Planning	●	●	●	●	●								
31. Remote Community Electrification Program	●	●	●	●	●		●	●	●	●			
32. Remote Community Implementation Program	●	●	●			●	●						
33. Solar BC – Solar Hot Water Rebates	●		●				●		●	●			
34. TD Green Streets		●			●	●	●				●		
35. Towns For Tomorrow	●	●	●	●	●	●	●						

CROSS REFERENCE TABLE – RESOURCE GUIDE

	Category				Financial Incentives			Non-Financial Resources					
	Buildings	Infrastructure	Renewables	Transportation	Planning/studies	Implementation	Grants	Loans/Tax breaks	Information	Assistance	Workshops	Advocacy	Other
1. BC Hydro Clean Power and Bioenergy Call for Power			●						●		●		●
2. BC Sustainable Energy Association (BCSEA)	●	●	●	●					●			●	
3. Better Environmentally Sound Transportation (BEST)				●					●			●	●
4. BC BioFleet			●	●					●		●		
5. Canadian Industry Program for Energy Conservation	●		●			●		●	●		●		
6. CANMET Energy Technology Centre	●		●						●	●	●		
7. CMHC EQUilibrium	●		●			●			●		●		
8. Community Energy Association (CEA)	●	●	●	●					●	●	●		●
9. E3 Fleets			●	●					●	●			●
10. EcoAction Community Funding Program	●	●	●	●		●	●		●	●	●		
11. ecoAgriculture		●	●			●		●	●				
12. ecoENERGY for Fleets and Personal Vehicles				●					●				
13. ecoENERGY Retrofit – Small/Medium Organizations	●		●			●	●						
14. ecoENERGY Retrofit - Houses	●		●			●	●						
15. ecoENERGY - Other	●	●	●		●	●	●		●				
16. ecoTransport				●		●			●	●	●		●
17. EnerGuide	●		●	●					●				
18. Energy Star	●								●				
19. Green Municipal Fund Capacity Building Program	●	●	●	●					●	●	●		
20. Office of Energy Efficiency	●	●	●	●					●				
21. LEED	●								●		●		●
22. LiveSmart BC: Efficiency Incentive Program	●		●	●	●	●	●						
23. Pacific Carbon Trust	●	●	●	●		●			●				●
24. Pacific Energy Innovation Association	●	●	●	●					●		●		
25. Pacific Institute for Climate Solutions	●	●	●	●					●	●	●		●
26. Partners for Climate Protection	●	●	●	●					●	●	●		●
27. Pembina Institute for Appropriate Development	●	●	●	●					●	●		●	
28. R-2000 HOME Program	●								●				●
29. Regional Economic Development Trusts		●	●				●		●	●			
30. Smart Growth BC	●	●	●	●					●	●	●	●	
31. Smart Planning for Communities	●	●	●	●					●	●	●		
32. Sustainable Development Technology Canada	●	●	●	●		●	●						
33. Victoria Transport Policy Institute (VTPI)				●					●				

FUNDING GUIDE

1. Affordability and Choice Today (ACT) Program

Category: Buildings

Description

ACT provides grants to municipalities and other non-governmental organizations to overcome regulatory barriers that impede innovative housing. ACT grants are available to facilitate transfer of information as well as the implementation of regulatory reform solutions that contribute to housing affordability or that increase housing options. Grants can be used to hold workshops to discuss existing as well as new solutions, or to document successful, innovative solutions that should be shared with others.

Eligibility

All local gov'ts.

Funding Available

Up to \$5,000.
Although there are two calls for applications (spring and fall of each year), applications are accepted and reviewed on an ongoing basis.

Contact

Federation of Canadian Municipalities
613-241-5221
info@actprogram.com
www.actprogram.com

2. BC Local Government Infrastructure Planning Grant Program

Category: All

Description

This program offers funding for local government planning activities that support energy and climate change action. Infrastructure Planning Grants are provided for projects to study the feasibility, costs, technology and location of proposed sewer, water, drainage, transportation or other local government infrastructure. The grants can be used for community energy planning or energy-related feasibility studies.

Eligibility

All local gov'ts.

Funding Available

Up to \$10,000. Grants over \$5,000 must have matching funds. Application deadline is typically in January of each year.

Contact

Ministry of Community Development
Infrastructure and Finance Division
250-387-4060
infra@gov.bc.ca
www.cserv.gov.bc.ca/lgd/infra/infrastructure_grants/infrastructure_planning_grant.htm

3. Build Canada Fund – Communities Component

Category: All

Description

Build Canada funding focuses on cleaner air and water, safer roads, shorter commutes, prosperous communities and liveable communities, and includes support for green energy projects. Applications are evaluated on the extent to which they meet environmental, economic and quality of life objectives. Projects must be sustainable in regard to how they are planned, designed, constructed, operated, maintained and managed. Applications not approved from previous intakes may be rolled over into the next one if requested.

Eligibility

Local gov'ts with population s under 100,000.

Funding Available

Applications under the 'Communities' component are no longer being accepted.

\$25M available for flood mitigation projects. Intake date to be announced.

Contact

For more information contact Ministry of Community and Rural Development:
250-387-4060
infra@gov.bc.ca

Contact Flood Protection Program:
Dwayne.Meredith@gov.bc.ca
250-953-4006
www.bcbuildingcanadafundcommunities.ca

4. Community Development Program			Category: All
<p>Description Columbia Basin Trust's Community Development Program responds to the needs of Columbia Basin communities by providing financial and staff support to community projects that support efforts to strengthen social, economic and environmental well-being.</p>			
<p>Eligibility Local gov'ts and incorporated entities within the Canadian portion of the Columbia River watershed.</p>	<p>Funding Available Funding varies by project. Continuous intake.</p>	<p>Contact Columbia Basin Trust 1-800-505-8998 info@cbt.org www.cbt.org</p>	

5. Cycling Infrastructure Partnership Program (CIPP)			Category: Infrastructure, Transportation
<p>Description In this program, the Government of BC partners with local governments in the construction of new transportation cycling infrastructure, to promote transportation cycling (cycling to work, school or errands) as a means of reducing traffic congestion and greenhouse gas emissions.</p>			
<p>Eligibility All local gov'ts.</p>	<p>Funding Available Up to \$100,000 or 20% of the total program budget for 2010/11. Application deadline is September 1, 2010.</p>	<p>Contact Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure Alan Callander, Manager, Municipal Policy 250-356-5563 alan.callander@gov.bc.ca http://www.th.gov.bc.ca/BikeBC/CIPP.html</p>	

6. ecoENERGY for Aboriginal and Northern Communities			Category: Infrastructure, Renewables
<p>Description This program supports aboriginal and northern communities with implementing renewable energy projects, improving energy efficiency, and adopting alternative energy sources. The program will assist communities through all stages of project development, including project identification, feasibility and planning studies, financial and project management, equity partnerships, power purchase agreements and project completion.</p>			
<p>Eligibility All aboriginal communities, councils and organizations.</p>	<p>Funding Available \$5,000 to \$15,000 for planning; up to \$100,000 for energy efficiency projects; and up to \$250,000 for renewable energy projects. Applications must be received by October 1, 2010.</p>	<p>Contact Indian and Northern Affairs Canada 1-800-567-9604 ecoENERGIE-ecoENERGY@ainc-inac.gc.ca http://www.ecoaction.gc.ca/</p>	

7. ecoENERGY Retrofit - Buildings			Category: Buildings
<p>Description The ecoENERGY Retrofit Incentive for Buildings provides financial incentives to owners of small and medium-sized buildings in the commercial and institutional sectors to help offset the costs of implementing energy efficiency retrofits.</p>			
<p>Eligibility Existing buildings up to 20,000 m².</p>	<p>Funding Available \$10/GJ saved, to a maximum of \$50,000 or 25% of project costs. Applications for this program will accepted on an ongoing basis until March 31, 2011 or until all funds are allocated.</p>	<p>Contact Natural Resources Canada Office of Energy Efficiency 1-877-360-5500 http://oee.nrcan.gc.ca/corporate/incentives.cfm?attr=0</p>	

8. ecoENERGY for Renewable Heat

Category: Renewables, Infrastructure

Description

EcoENERGY for Renewable Heat provides incentives for the installation of solar water and solar air heating systems in industrial, commercial and institutional buildings. For solar hot water projects the ecoENERGY rebate may be matched with a rebate from SolarBC (see SolarBC section).

Eligibility All local gov'ts.	Funding Available 25% of project costs, to a max of \$400,000. Applications must be received by October 1, 2010.	Contact Renewable and Electrical Energy Division Natural Resources Canada 1-800-622-6232 ecoenergyrhp@nrcan.gc.ca ecoaction.gc.ca/grantsrebates-subventionsremises/organizations-organisations-eng.cfm
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9. ecoENERGY for Renewable Power

Category: Renewables, Infrastructure

Description

The goal of this program is to increase Canada's supply of clean electricity from renewable sources such as wind, biomass, low-impact hydro, geothermal, solar photovoltaic and ocean energy. It will encourage the production of 14.3 terawatt hours of new electricity from renewable energy sources.

Eligibility All local gov'ts that own a qualifying project to produce electricity for sale in Canada.	Funding Available 1.0¢/kWh generated for up to 10 years. Only projects over 1.0 MW in capacity and those constructed before March 31, 2011 are eligible. Applicants must begin by submitting a Notice of Project Application Package.	Contact Renewable and Electrical Energy Division Natural Resources Canada 1-800-622-6232 ecoenergyrp@nrcan.gc.ca ecoaction.gc.ca/grantsrebates-subventionsremises/organizations-organisations-eng.cfm
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10. Regional Economic Trust Funding for Energy Projects

Category: Renewables, Infrastructure

Description

Regional economic trust programs support the diversification of local and regional economies through infrastructure and capital investment support for energy related projects that directly create new jobs and increase revenues throughout these three regions of BC.

Eligibility Local gov'ts, First Nations, registered non-profits and others within each specified region.	Funding Available Northern Development Initiative Trust: Up to a maximum of 28% of a total project budget. Applications accepted on a quarterly intake cycle. Next round of applications must be received by August 13, 2010. Island Coastal Economic Trust: Although existing applications have exceeded designated funds, ICET will continue to accept Stage 1 applications for grants and loans on an on-going basis. Southern Interior Development Initiative Trust: Grants up to \$750,000 total distribution per annum and maximum \$50,000 per applicant. Loan and equity programs provide funding up to a maximum of \$1,000,000 or a maximum of 50% of a total project budget. Applications accepted on an on-going basis each year until all funds committed.	Contact Northern Development Initiative Trust (NDIT) 250-561-2525 info@northerndevelopment.bc.ca http://www.nditrust.ca/ Island Coastal Economic Trust (ICET) 250-334-2427 ext. 223 or 227 info@islandcoastaltrust.ca http://www.islandcoastaltrust.ca/ Southern Interior Development Initiative Trust (SIDIT) 250- 545-6829 admin@sidit-bc.ca http://www.sidit-bc.ca/
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11. Efficient Boiler Program

Category: Buildings

Description

Terasen Gas provides incentives to developers, builders, building owners and owners' designated representatives, such as property managers, to encourage the use of high efficiency, natural gas hydronic space heating systems in commercial applications. Purchase price incentive applies to the incremental purchase price of a natural gas near-condensing or condensing boiler over the purchase price of a standard efficiency boiler.

Eligibility Terasen Gas service territory in the Lower Mainland, BC Interior, or Vancouver Island.	Funding Available Up to \$6,000 per boiler plus \$9 per MBH plant input for condensing boilers and up to \$4,000 per boiler plus \$3 per MBH plant input for near condensing boilers. Funding for new construction, replacement boilers, venting modifications and monitoring varies.	Contact Terasen Gas 1-888-477-0777 www.terasengas.com/BuildingProfessionsTrades/IncentivePrograms/EfficientBoilerProgram2009.htm
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12. Federal Tax Exemptions

Category: All

Description

The Federal Government provides a number of tax exemptions for renewable energy and energy efficiency projects. Ethanol, methanol and biodiesel are exempt from the 10% federal excise tax on motor fuels and investments in energy-producing and renewable energy equipment are eligible for an accelerated write-off under Class 43.1, Schedule II of the Income Tax Act.

Eligibility All local gov'ts.	Funding Available Tax exemptions and write-offs.	Contact Canada Revenue Agency http://www.cra-arc.gc.ca/E/pub/et/etsl47/etsl47-e.html http://oee.nrcan.gc.ca/corporate/statistics/neud/dpa/policy_e/programs.cfm?attr=0
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13. First Nations Infrastructure Fund

Category: All

Description

The objective of the First Nations Infrastructure Fund (FNIF) is to assist First Nations to improve and increase public infrastructure on reserves, Crown Land, land set-aside for the use and benefit of a First Nation, or off-reserve in the case of cost-shared projects with non-First Nation partners. Project categories include comprehensive community planning, capital and infrastructure planning, training to support infrastructure, sustainable and renewable energy systems and grid hook-up projects. Applications demonstrating the ability to cost share projects with the Federal Government, adjacent local governments, provincial authorities or private interests will be ranked higher.

Eligibility First Nation and Innu communities across Canada	Funding Available The contribution from FNIF will not exceed \$10 million per project and will be capped per recipient at \$10 million over the five year program. Applications can be submitted in September of each year until 2011.	Contact Regional Indian and Northern Affairs Offices http://www.ainc-inac.gc.ca/ih/ci/pubs/prg/prg-eng.asp#chp3
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14. Foundations and Non-profit Grant Providers

Category: All

Description

There are many charitable foundations and non-profit organizations that provide funding in the form of grants for energy and sustainability initiatives. These organizations usually require charitable status from the applicants, for which local governments qualify. However, most applicants are non-profit organizations, and any application from a local government would likely need to include significant community involvement or broad community benefits to be considered. Applications from smaller communities with fewer resources may more likely be accepted, depending on the grant source.

Eligibility Varies	Funding Available Varies	Contact TD Friends of the Environment, VanCity, Vancouver Foundation, Victoria Foundation, others
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15. Gas Tax Agreement – Community Works Fund		Category: All
Description Established to support local priorities in alignment with the desired outcomes of reduced GHG emissions, cleaner air and cleaner water, the program provides funding directly to eligible local governments, with no application required. The level of funding to local governments depends on their “tier” as defined by the Gas Tax Agreement.		
Eligibility BC communities outside of Metro Vancouver.	Funding Available \$191 million over 5 years.	Contact Union of British Columbia Municipalities Brenda Gibson, New Deal Management Services 250-356-0862 bgibson@civicnet.bc.ca http://ubcm.ca/EN/main/funding/gas-tax-fund/program.html
16. Gas Tax Agreement – Innovations Fund		Category: All
Description The Innovations Fund supports projects that reflect an innovative approach to achieving the intended outcomes of reduced GHG emissions, cleaner air and cleaner water. Grants may fund up to 100% of project costs. Some funding is reserved for local government capacity building and integrated community sustainability planning.		
Eligibility All local gov'ts.	Funding Available \$32 million over 5 years. \$1.6 million reserved for capacity building and integrated community sustainability planning.	Contact Union of British Columbia Municipalities Brenda Gibson, New Deal Management Services 250-356-0862 bgibson@civicnet.bc.ca http://ubcm.ca/EN/main/funding/gas-tax-fund/program.html
17. Gas Tax Agreement – Strategic Priorities Fund		Category: All
Description The Strategic Priorities Fund (SPF) provides funding for strategic investments that reduce GHG emissions and promote cleaner air and water. The SPF is for projects that are large in scale or regional in impact. Grants may fund up to 100% of project costs.		
Eligibility BC communities outside of Metro Vancouver.	Funding Available \$106 million over 5 years.	Contact Union of British Columbia Municipalities Brenda Gibson, New Deal Management Services 250-356-0862 bgibson@civicnet.bc.ca http://ubcm.ca/EN/main/funding/gas-tax-fund/program.html

18. Green Municipal Fund – Plans, Studies and Capital Projects

Category: All

Description

Municipalities may apply to the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) Green Municipal Fund for funding to support sustainable community planning (including climate change action plans), feasibility studies, field tests and project implementation related to energy efficiency and GHG reduction.. Applications are accepted on a continuous basis; an approved letter of intent is required first for field tests. The fund supports capital implementation projects through both grants and below-market loans. These loans and grants can be applied to energy, waste management, brownfield development, water and transportation projects. GMF funding can be stacked with other federal funding.

Eligibility

All local gov'ts.

Funding Available

Grants for plans, feasibility studies and field tests, up to 50% of eligible costs to a maximum of \$350,000.

Grants and below market loans for capital projects, up to 80% of costs to a maximum of \$10 million in loans, combined with \$2,000,000 in grants. Eligible projects are based on environment benefit targets and vary by sector.

Brownfield projects are eligible for below-market loans only, with no funding limit. GMF offers interest rates 1.5 per cent lower than the Government of Canada bond rate for the equivalent term.

Contact

Federation of Canadian Municipalities
Monique Delinelle, Applications Coordinator
613-241-5221 ext. 357
mdelinelle@fcm.ca
www.fcm.ca/gmf

19. Innovative Clean Energy Fund

Category: Renewables, Infrastructure

Description

The Innovative Clean Energy Fund provides funding for development of pre-commercialization technologies for the production and transmission of clean and renewable energy. The program supports technologies that are new or not currently used in BC. Monies for the fund come from a 0.4% levy on non-transportation energy fuels.

Eligibility

All local gov'ts.

Funding Available

\$25 million.

Abstract must be submitted by June 16, 2010 and application by August 9, 2010 by 4:30 pm.

Contact

Ministry of Small Business, Technology and Economic Development
Liz Wouters
250-387-2883
ICEFund@gov.bc.ca
<http://www.tted.gov.bc.ca/ICEFund/CurrentCall/Pages/default.aspx>

20. Municipal Infrastructure Lending Program for Housing-Related Projects

Category: All

Description

Provides local governments with access to low-cost loans through Canada Mortgage & Housing Corporation (CMHC). This program can be used by local governments to fund their contribution for cost-shared federal infrastructure programming. Projects must reflect an investment in municipal housing-related infrastructure for residential areas (new or existing) and must be shovel-ready. Projects could include infrastructure related to the provision of power generation, local transportation infrastructure, residential sidewalks, lighting, pathways, landscaping and green space.

Eligibility

Local gov'ts across Canada.

Funding Available

Applications accepted until all funds committed. All loans must be fully advanced by March 31, 2011.

Contact

Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation
1-800-668-2642
milprogram@cmhc.ca
<http://www.cmhc.ca/housingactionplan/hemubustco/muinleprhofm>

21. NDI Grant Writing Support Program

Category: All

Description

The Northern Development Initiative Grant Writing Support program provides annual funding for grant writer positions employed by municipalities, regional districts, and First Nations bands within the Northern Development Initiative Trust region. Rebate funding is provided each year to approved communities to support employment of a locally-based grant writer to prepare funding applications to agencies, foundations, and government programs.

Eligibility

Local gov'ts and First Nations within central and northern BC, excluding Vancouver Island. A list of communities within the region can be found at:
<http://northerndevelopment.bc.ca/our-team/communities>

Funding Available

Applications for 2011 program will be accepted in January, 2011.

Contact

Northern Development Initiative Trust
250-561-2525
info@northerndevelopment.bc.ca
<http://www.nditrust.ca/>

22. Power Sense

Category: Buildings

Description

The FortisBC Power Sense program offers financial assistance to home owners, residential developers and builders, and business owners, for converting to energy-efficient technologies. The program also demonstrates how to save money by reducing energy consumption.

Eligibility

Fortis BC customers only.

Funding Available

A variety of rebates and loans for home owners, residential developers/builders, and commercial and industrial businesses. Up to 50% funding for energy studies, to a maximum of \$5,000.

Contact

Fortis BC
1-866-436-7847
www.fortisbc.com

23. Power Smart Continuous Optimization Program

Category: Buildings

Description

The Continuous Optimization Program offers incentives, tools and support to help get buildings in good working order. It provides funding to conduct an energy audit, an electrical interval meter and software to analyze meter data, building operator training and ongoing support. The program is meant to encourage continuous customer engagement and improvement.

Eligibility

Existing buildings over 50,000 ft² with building energy management system in place.

Funding Available

100% of audit costs.

Contact

Contact your Key Account Manager or Graham Henderson, Program Manager, BC Hydro
604-453-6471
Graham.Henderson@bchydro.com
www.bchydro.com/powersmart/commercial.html

24. Power Smart - New Construction Program

Category: Buildings

Description

This BC Hydro program provides financial incentives and tools to help qualified projects identify energy-saving strategies early in the building or system design process. The program includes support for whole building and system design, energy-efficient lighting design, energy star package rebates, and retrofit incentives. This program includes incentives for commercial buildings and new multi-unit residential buildings.

Eligibility

New construction projects that are at least 6,000 ft².

Funding Available

100% funding for energy studies. Capital incentives vary depending on energy savings.

Contact

BC Hydro
604-224-9376 in the Lower Mainland
1-866-522-4713 elsewhere in BC
Or contact your Key Account Manager
www.bchydro.com/powersmart/commercial.html

25. Power Smart Partner Program

Category: Buildings

Description

The Power Smart Partner program enables participants to submit funding proposals to implement electrical energy-saving projects. Funding may also be available for energy studies or to hire an energy manager. Power Smart Partner Express is an online, self-serve application specifically designed for large commercial customers who have a Key Account Manager.

Eligibility

For commercial, gov't and institutional customer projects that save a minimum of 100,000 kWh/year (or 50,000 kWh for mechanical or HVAC only projects).

Funding Available

Funding for up to 60% of the incremental cost of lighting, mechanical, HVAC and other energy efficiency projects.

Contact

BC Hydro
1-866-453-6400 or contact your Key Account Manager
www.bchydro.com/powersmart/commercial.html

26. Power Smart Product Incentive Program

Category: Buildings

Description

The program provides financial incentives to replace inefficient products with energy-efficient technologies. Incentives are available for lighting products, controls and sensors, heating, ventilation, air conditioning (HVAC), refrigeration and ice rink technologies. Local governments with BC Hydro Key Account Managers should access incentives via the Power Smart Partner Express program.

Eligibility

Local gov'ts that do not have a key account manager.

Funding Available

Varies by product.

Contact

BC Hydro
1-866-522-4713
http://www.bchydro.com/rebates_savings/

27. Power Smart Sustainable Communities Program – Community Energy Managers

Category: All

Description

The Power Smart Sustainable Communities Program offers a range of services to help local governments make smart choices about community-wide energy management and efficiency. Funding is available to support a designated Community Energy Manager.

Eligibility

All local gov'ts within the BC Hydro service territory with a population of 20,000 or more.

Funding Available

50% costs to hire a community energy manager for two years.

Contact

BC Hydro
604-522-4713 in the Lower Mainland
1-866-522-4713 elsewhere in BC or contact your Key Account Manager
http://www.bchydro.com/powersmart/ps_communities.html

28. Power Smart Sustainable Communities Program – Design Charrettes

Category: All

Description

The Power Smart Sustainable Communities Program offers a range of services to help local governments make smart choices about community-wide energy management and efficiency. Funding is available to support design charrettes.

Eligibility

All local gov'ts within the BC Hydro service territory with a population of 20,000 or more.

Funding Available

Up to 100% of costs for design charrettes.

Contact

BC Hydro
604-522-4713 in the Lower Mainland
1-866-522-4713 elsewhere in BC
Or contact your Key Account Manager
http://www.bchydro.com/powersmart/ps_communities.html

29. Power Smart Sustainable Communities Program – District Energy Systems

Category: Buildings, Infrastructure, Renewables

Description

The Power Smart Sustainable Communities Program offers a range of services to help local governments make smart choices about energy management and efficiency community-wide. Funding is available for pre-feasibility and feasibility studies for district energy systems. Capital incentives may also be provided for district energy systems.

Eligibility

All local gov'ts within the BC Hydro service territory with a population of 20,000 or more.

Funding Available

Up to 50% of costs for district energy pre-feasibility and feasibility costs. Capital incentives to be determined.

Contact

BC Hydro
604-522-4713 in the Lower Mainland
1-866-522-4713 elsewhere in BC
Or contact your Key Account Manager
http://www.bchydro.com/powersmart/ps_communities.html

30. Power Smart Sustainable Communities Program - Planning

Category: All

Description

The Power Smart Sustainable Communities Program offers a range of services to help local governments make smart choices about community-wide energy management and efficiency. Funding is available to support community energy and emissions planning.

Eligibility

All local gov'ts within the BC Hydro service territory with a population of 20,000 or more.

Funding Available

Up to 50% of costs for community energy and emissions planning.

Contact

BC Hydro
604-522-4713 in the Lower Mainland
1-866-522-4713 elsewhere in BC
Or contact your Key Account Manager
http://www.bchydro.com/powersmart/ps_communities.html

31. Remote Community Electrification Program

Category: All

Description

BC Hydro established the Remote Community Electrification Program to provide power to communities who wish to be served by BC Hydro. This program will assist in the preparation of community energy plans for remote communities, subsidizing the cost of power to these communities by drawing from the full BC Hydro ratepayer base.

Eligibility

Remote (off grid) communities only.

Funding Available

Varies

Contact

BC Hydro
Nick Hawley, Program Manager
604-528-3191
nick.hawley@bchydro.com
www.bchydro.com

32. Remote Community Implementation (RCI Program)

Category: Buildings, Infrastructure, Renewables

Description

The Remote Community Implementation (RCI) Program is an independent initiative under the Community Action on Energy and Emissions (CAEE) program. It provides funding assistance to remote communities to implement clean energy and energy efficiency projects and to support the implementation of projects that reduce greenhouse gas emissions. Eligible communities include those served by local generating stations and distribution networks in BC Hydro's Non-Integrated Areas.

Eligibility

Civic and First Nation communities not connected to a major natural gas or electric grid.

Funding Available

Applications to RCI program must be received by May 21, 2010.

Contact

Tanya Hebron
1st Floor, 470 Granville Street
Vancouver, BC V6C 1V5
Email: thebron@fraserbasin.bc.ca
604-488-5354
http://www.fraserbasin.bc.ca/programs/caee_rci.html

33. Solar BC – Solar Hot Water Rebates

Category: Buildings, Renewables

Description

SolarBC has rebates available for local governments for solar hot water systems on civic buildings such as pools, recreation centres, fire halls and city halls. SolarBC can assist in the search for matching rebates by providing for up to 25% of costs. Local governments that qualify for a financial incentive for the installation of a solar hot water system under the federal ecoENERGY for Renewable Heat program are eligible, and the SolarBC rebate can match that rebate (but with a lower cap). Applicants must be approved for a Contribution Agreement under the ecoENERGY for Renewable Heat program.

Eligibility

All local gov'ts.

Funding Available

Up to \$40k from SolarBC. Additional funding from Natural Resources Canada's ecoENERGY for Renewable Heat program. Grants are available for solar feasibility studies from the BC Infrastructure Planning Grant Program. All applications to the ecoENERGY program must be received by October 1, 2010.

Contact

Community Energy Association
Peter Robinson, Community Energy Planner
250-769-6978
probinson@communityenergy.bc.ca
www.solarbc.ca/install/local-governments

34. TD Green Streets

Category: Infrastructure

Description

The goal of TD Green Streets is to encourage the adoption of leading-edge practices in municipal forests, on as wide a regional basis as possible. These may include, but are not limited to innovative urban forest planning, policy and best management practices workshops, innovative management tools to protect and maintain the urban forest and innovative urban design showcasing green infrastructure. Collaborative project applications involving two or more communities are encouraged. Local governments may apply in partnership with community organizations.

Eligibility

All local gov'ts.

Funding Available

\$15,000 per project. Application deadline for 2011 to be announced.

Contact

Tree Canada
Toll-free: 1-877-666-1444
613-567-5545
Email: tcf@treecanada.ca
<http://www.treecanada.ca/site/?page=home&lang=en>

35. Towns For Tomorrow

Category: All

Description

The Province is providing \$21 million to BC's smaller communities to improve local infrastructure. Grants are available for capital investments that enhance community infrastructure, including environmental energy improvements. Eligible costs include engineering, design, capacity building and construction costs.

Eligibility

Local gov'ts with a population under 15,000.

Funding Available

\$71M over 5 years, through 2011.
Grants range from 75-80% of eligible costs depending on size of community.
Application deadline generally occurs in March. The next round of applications will be accepted in 2010.

Contact

Ministry of Community Development
Infrastructure and Finance Division
250-387-4060
infra@gov.bc.ca
www.townsfortomorrow.gov.bc.ca

RESOURCE GUIDE

1. BC Hydro Standing Offer, Clean Power Call & Bioenergy Call for Power

Category: Renewables

Description

BC Hydro has implemented several programs intended to encourage the development of clean energy projects throughout British Columbia by agreeing in advance to purchase energy produced.

Eligibility	Type of Support	Contact
Standing Offer projects must have a capacity less than 10MW; Clean power and bioenergy projects must have a capacity more than 10 MW.	Workshops Information Agreement to purchase power	BC Hydro 604-224-9376 Greater Vancouver 1-800-224-9376 elsewhere in BC http://www.bchydro.com/planning_regulatory/acquiring_power.html

2. BC Sustainable Energy Association (BCSEA)

Category: All

Description

BCSEA is a non-profit association of citizens, professionals and practitioners, who are committed to promoting the understanding, development and adoption of sustainable energy and energy conservation and efficiency in British Columbia.

Eligibility	Type of Support	Contact
All	Information Advocacy	BC Sustainable Energy Association 250-744-2720 info@bcsea.org www.bcsea.org

3. Better Environmentally Sound Transportation (BEST)

Category: Transportation

Description

BEST promotes sustainable transportation and pedestrian, bicycle and transit-oriented neighbourhoods. It provides programs to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and climate change.

Eligibility	Type of Support	Contact
All	Information Advocacy Events	Better Environmentally Sound Transportation 604-669-2860 www.best.bc.ca

4. BioFleet

Category: Renewables, Transportation

Description

The purpose of the BioFleet program is to transform the biodiesel market in Western Canada by building awareness and consumer confidence through education and biodiesel demonstrations.

Eligibility	Type of Support	Contact
Public and private sector vehicle fleets.	Workshops Information	Terry Robert at Fraser Basin Council 604-488-5360 trobert@fraserbasin.bc.ca www.biofleet.ca

5. Canadian Industry Program for Energy Conservation (CIPEC)

Category: Buildings, Renewables

Description

CIPEC is a partnership between industry and the federal government. It provides information, workshops and incentives to help small and medium sized industrial facilities implement energy-saving projects. CIPEC also provides incentives for Process Integration and Computational Fluid Dynamics studies.

Eligibility

Industrial companies registered with Industrial Energy Innovators.

Type of Support

Information
Workshops
Financial incentives for retrofits up to 25% of project costs to a maximum of \$50,000 and \$350,000 per entity. Applications accepted until March 31, 2011. For study incentives, funding up to 50% or \$50,000 for process integration studies and up to 50% or \$30,000 for fluid dynamics studies.

Contact

Natural Resources Canada
613-996-6891
www.oeo.nrcan.gc.ca/industrial/cipec.cfm?attr=0

6. CanmetENERGY Technology Centre

Category: Buildings, Renewables

Description

CANMET is a research and development arm of Natural Resources Canada. While primarily a research and technical information source, CANMET sometimes provides funding for pilot and demonstration projects through various programs such as the Emerging Technologies Program, Refrigeration Action Program and the Sustainable Buildings and Communities Group.

Eligibility

All

Type of Support

Information
Assistance
Workshops

Contact

Natural Resources Canada:
CanmetENERGY Technology Centre
613-995-0947
http://ctec-varenes.nrcan.gc.ca/en/eb_o.html

7. CMHC EQUilibrium

Category: Buildings, Renewables

Description

The EQUilibrium™ Communities Initiative is a sustainable community demonstration project led jointly and equally funded by Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation (CMHC) and Natural Resources Canada. This initiative provided financial, technical and promotional assistance to six neighbourhood development projects across Canada. EQ communities must balance energy supply and use to minimize greenhouse gas emissions and be energy efficient. The EQUilibrium™ Sustainable Housing Demonstration Initiative supported the development of 15 EQUilibrium™ demonstration homes, which are currently planned, under construction, or completed and on display across Canada. EQUilibrium™ demonstration homes are highly energy-efficient, low-environmental impact homes that produce as much energy as they consume on an annual basis.

Eligibility

All

Type of Support

Information
Workshops

Contact

CMHC
604-731-5733
equilibrium.communities@nrcan-rncan.gc.ca
<http://www.cmhc-schl.gc.ca/en/inpr/su/>

8. Community Energy Association (CEA)		Category: All
Description CEA is a first-stop information resource for BC local governments and First Nations, assisting communities with energy planning and the development and implementation of energy efficiency and renewable energy initiatives.		
Eligibility All local governments.	Type of Support Information and assistance Tools, workshops, and studies Advisory services (fee-for-service) Energy & Climate Action Awards for local governments (presented annually at UBCM conference)	Contact Community Energy Association 604-628-7076 info@communityenergy.bc.ca www.communityenergy.bc.ca
9. E3 Fleets		Category: Renewables, Transportation
Description E3 is an independent, non-profit managed system for greening Canada's fleets. E3 stands for Energy, Environment, and Excellence – the core focus of the system. E3 Fleets provides a rating system for fleet efficiency and information including an emissions calculator, ratings handbook, newsletter and alternative fuelling station map.		
Eligibility Public and private sector vehicle fleets.	Type of Support Information Rating system	Contact Charlotte Argue c/o Fraser Basin Council 1-888-703-5338 info@e3fleet.com www.e3fleet.com
10. EcoAction Community Funding Program		Category: All
Description The EcoAction Community Funding Program provides financial support to community groups for environmental projects that have measurable, positive impacts on the environment, including projects with a greenhouse gas reduction theme.		
Eligibility Non-profit organizations only.	Type of Support Grants up to 50%, with a maximum of \$100,000. Applications must be received by November 1 of each year. Comments will be provided on draft applications received before October 1, 2010.	Contact Environment Canada: Pacific and Yukon Region 1-800-667-7779 ecoaction.pyr@ec.gc.ca www.ec.gc.ca/ecoaction/what_is_e.htm !
11. ecoAgriculture Biofuels Capital Initiative (ecoABC)		Category: Renewables
Description The ecoAgriculture program provides support and financial incentives to help farmers overcome the challenges of raising the capital necessary for the construction or expansion of biofuel production facilities.		
Eligibility Agricultural producers	Type of Support Repayable contributions of up to \$25 million. The deadline has been extended to September 30, 2012.	Contact Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada 877-246-4682 bioagriculture@agr.gc.ca www.ecoaction.gc.ca/ecoagriculture/biofuels-biocarburants-eng.cfm

12. ecoENERGY for Fleets and Personal Vehicles

Category: Transportation

Description

EcoENERGY for Fleets is a program offered by Natural Resources Canada introducing fleets to energy-efficient practices that can reduce fuel consumption and emissions. FleetSmart is a component of this program offering free practical advice on how energy-efficient vehicles and business practices can reduce fleet operating costs, improve productivity and increase your competitiveness. EcoENERGY for Personal Vehicles offers tools to help consumers purchase the most fuel-efficient vehicle to meet their needs.

Eligibility All	Type of Support Training Information Support Cost-shared funding	Contact Natural Resources Canada Office of Energy Efficiency 613-995-0947 http://oee.nrcan.gc.ca/corporate/about-us.cfm?attr=0
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13. ecoENERGY Retrofit – Buildings

Category: Buildings, Renewables

Description

The ecoENERGY Retrofit program for owners of small and medium-sized buildings in the commercial and institutional sectors provides financial support to businesses, public institutions, and industrial facilities to help them implement energy saving projects that reduce energy-related greenhouse gases and air pollution.

Eligibility Businesses, public institutions, and industrial facilities.	Type of Support Incentives	Contact Natural Resources Canada Office of Energy Efficiency 1-877-360-5500 http://oee.nrcan.gc.ca/corporate/incentives.cfm?attr=00
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14. ecoENERGY Retrofit - Homes

Category: Buildings, Renewables

Description

The program is no longer accepting bookings for pre-retrofit evaluation, however homeowners who are already participating in the program continue to qualify for grants. The ecoENERGY retrofit program for homes provides incentives of up to \$5,000 to homeowners to upgrade the efficiency of their homes. Actual grant amounts depend on both pre- and post-retrofit EnerGuide ratings, as determined through a residential energy efficiency assessment. Includes incentives for solar water heaters, air and ground source heat pumps and other renewable energy based technology.

Eligibility Home owners	Type of Support Incentives	Contact Natural Resources Canada Office of Energy Efficiency 1-800-622-6232 http://oee.nrcan.gc.ca/corporate/about-us.cfm?attr=0
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15. ecoENERGY - Other

Category: Buildings, Infrastructure, Renewables

Description

EcoENERGY also provides funding and support for energy efficiency through programs targeted for biofuels, industry, renewable heat, renewable power and technology initiatives.

Eligibility All	Type of Support Incentives	Contact Natural Resources Canada Office of Energy Efficiency 1-877-360-5500 http://oee.nrcan.gc.ca/corporate/about-us.cfm?attr=0
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16. ecoTransport		Category: Transportation
Description The ecoTransport program encompasses two initiatives – ecoFreight and ecoTechnology – to help increase energy efficiency in the transportation sector.		
Eligibility All	Type of Support Training Information Support Cost-shared funding	Contact Environmental Initiatives Transport Canada 613-991-1196 www.tc.gc.ca/programs/environment/ecotransport/menu.htm
17. EnerGuide		Category: Buildings, Renewables, Transportation
Description EnerGuide is a Canadian rating system that provides information on the energy consumption of major appliances, heating and cooling equipment, houses and vehicles.		
Eligibility All	Type of Support Information	Contact Natural Resources Canada: Office of Energy Efficiency www.oeenrcan.gc.ca/energuide
18. Energy Star		Category: Buildings
Description Energy Star is an international rating system that identifies the most efficient equipment available. It applies ratings to appliances, consumer electronics, heating and cooling equipment, windows and doors, and other equipment.		
Eligibility All	Type of Support Information	Contact Natural Resources Canada: Office of Energy Efficiency 613-995-0947 www.oeenrcan.gc.ca/energystar
19. Green Municipal Fund – Capacity Building Program		Category: All
Description The GMF Capacity Building Program engages municipal officials in sharing knowledge, experience and best practices in sustainable development. This program supports municipal governments working towards sustainable community development through six sectors: brownfields, energy, planning, transportation, waste and water. Resources include a comprehensive summary of sustainable municipal bylaws as well as capacity building webinars and podcasts. Programs include the FCM-CH2M Hill Sustainable Community Awards and the FCM Sustainable Communities Conference and Trade Show. Please note: The Sustainable Communities Conference will take place in Victoria, British Columbia, February 8-10, 2011.		
Eligibility Local governments across Canada.	Type of Support Information Networking Training Workshops	Contact Devin Causley, Manager, Climate Change Programs 613-907-6370 dcausley@fcm.ca http://gmf.fcm.ca/Capacity_Building/

20. Office of Energy Efficiency		Category: All
Description OEE is the central web portal for federal government programs related to energy efficiency and conservation. It provides a wide variety of information and publications related to technologies, regulations and statistics, as well as information about NRCan incentive programs.		
Eligibility All	Type of Support Information	Contact Natural Resources Canada: Office of Energy Efficiency 613-995-0947 www.oeenrcan.gc.ca
21. Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED)		Category: Buildings
Description The LEED® Canada Rating System recognizes leading edge buildings that incorporate sustainable design, construction and operational practices, creating healthy, high-performance buildings with reduced environmental impacts.		
Eligibility New commercial and institutional buildings.	Type of Support Information Accreditation Workshops	Contact Canadian Green Building Council 1-866-941-1184 www.cagbc.org
22. LiveSmart BC: Efficiency Incentive Program		Category: Buildings, Renewables. Transportation
Description LiveSmart at Home provides homeowners with incentives to perform energy audits and upgrades to their existing houses. The program provides a subsidy to reduce the cost of an initial EnerGuide audit, plus incentives for appliances, windows, insulation, heating equipment and renewable electricity generation. Other funding and technical support programs are included in the LiveSmart at Work, LiveSmart on the Road and LiveSmart in your Community programs.		
Eligibility Community members, homeowners, and businesses.	Type of Support Incentives	Contact Ministry of Energy, Mines, and Petroleum Resources 1-866-430-8765 efficiencyincentives@gov.bc.ca www.livesmartbc.ca
23. Pacific Carbon Trust		Category: All
Description Pacific Carbon Trust is a Crown corporation established in 2008 to deliver British Columbia-based greenhouse-gas offsets, to help clients meet their carbon-reduction goals and to support the growth of BC's low-carbon economy. Pacific Carbon Trust's role is to deliver offsets to the public sector so that they can offset greenhouse emissions that they are unable to reduce.		
Eligibility All	Type of Support Funds to support projects that prevent greenhouse gas emissions.	Contact Pacific Carbon Trust 250-952-6793 info@pacificcarbontrust.com http://www.pacificcarbontrust.com/

24. Pacific Energy Innovation Association

Category: All

Description

The Pacific Energy Innovation Association (PEIA) is an independent, non-profit association of energy professionals incorporated under the Societies Act of British Columbia. Its mission is to initiate and promote discussion and action for energy innovation, efficiency and sustainability. PEIA furthers its mission through events, forums, energy breakfasts and projects.

Eligibility

All

Type of Support

Information
Workshops

Contact

Pacific Energy Innovation Association
778-986-2001
<http://www.peia.biz>

25. Pacific Institute for Climate Solutions (PICS)

Category: All

Description

A collaboration between University of Victoria, University of British Columbia, Simon Fraser University and University of Northern British Columbia, PICS enables research that focuses on reducing greenhouse gas emissions and minimizing the impact of climate change and how this relates to society and the economy. PICS works with government and industry to develop policy options and technological solutions.

Eligibility

All

Type of Support

Graduate fellowships, internships, research projects, and public information.

Contact

Pacific Institute for Climate Solutions
University of Victoria
250-853-3595
pics@uvic.ca
www.pics.uvic.ca

26. Partners for Climate Protection (PCP)

Category: All

Description

The Federation of Canadian Municipalities PCP program provides a five-step framework designed to assist local government in reducing GHG emissions: developing a GHG inventory, setting a GHG reduction target, adopting a GHG action plan, implementing the plan, and monitoring and evaluating the results. The program is free to join with a council resolution. A secretariat support service provides technical support, networking, recognition and tools for participating municipalities. PCP is a partnership between FCM and ICLEI Local Governments for Sustainability. **Please note:** a PCP webinar in partnership with the Province of BC's Climate Action Secretariat will be held in October 2010.

Eligibility

Municipal governments and regional districts.

Type of Support

Information
Networking
Training and technical support
Accreditation
Recognition

Contact

Federation of Canadian Municipalities
Devin Causley, Manager Climate Change Programs
613-907-6370
dcausley@fcm.ca
www.sustainablecommunities.ca/Partners-for-Climate-Protection/

27. Pembina Institute

Category: All

Description

The Pembina Institute provides policy research and educational programs in the areas of climate change, renewable energy, green economics and community-wide environmental solutions.

Eligibility

All

Type of Support

Information
Assistance
Advocacy

Contact

Pembina Institute
Vancouver Office
604-874-8558
www.pembina.org

28. R-2000 HOME Program		Category: Buildings
<p>Description The R-2000 HOME Program encourages the building of energy-efficient houses that are environmentally friendly and healthy to live in. Home builders volunteer to meet the R-2000 standard, which typically exceeds the efficiency level required by existing building codes and other regulations. The program includes: a continually upgraded energy efficiency standard for new houses, comprehensive training and education courses for home builders, testing and certification of new houses and promotional activities.</p>		
<p>Eligibility Home builders</p>	<p>Type of Support Information Design guidelines Accreditation</p>	<p>Contact Natural Resources Canada: Office of Energy Efficiency 613-995-0947 www.oeenrcan.gc.ca/residential/personal/new-homes/r-2000/About-r-2000.cfm?attr=4</p>

29. Regional Economic Development Trusts		Category: Renewables, Infrastructure
<p>Description The Northern Development Initiative Trust, Island Coastal Economic Trust and Southern Interior Development Initiative Trust provide BC communities within their designated areas with funding and mechanisms to identify and pursue new opportunities for stimulating sustainable economic growth and job creation in their regions. These organizations provide funding for both economic and community enhancement projects.</p>		
<p>Eligibility Local gov'ts and First Nations within Northern Development Initiative Trust region.</p>	<p>Type of Support Information Assistance Incentives</p>	<p>Contact Northern Development Initiative Trust (NDIT) 250-561-2525 info@northerndevelopment.bc.ca http://www.nditrust.ca/ Island Coastal Economic Trust (ICET) 250-334-2427 ext. 223 or 227 info@islandcoastaltrust.ca http://www.islandcoastaltrust.ca/ Southern Interior Development Initiative Trust (SIDIT) 250- 545-6829 admin@sidit-bc.ca http://www.sidit-bc.ca/</p>

30. Smart Growth BC		Category: All
<p>Description Smart Growth programs are now being delivered across Canada by the Canada Green Building Council (CaGBC). Smart Growth promotes fiscally, socially and environmentally responsible land use and development. It provides information, guidance and workshops on urban development strategies for sustainable communities.</p>		
<p>Eligibility All.</p>	<p>Type of Support Information Assistance Workshops Advocacy</p>	<p>Contact Smart Growth 604-282-7791 www.smartgrowth.bc.ca</p>

31. Smart Planning for Communities

Category: All

Description

Smart Planning for Communities (SPC) in British Columbia has been developed in response to the call for “Integrated Community Sustainability Planning” (ICSP) in the 2005 Federal/ Provincial/ UBCM Gas Tax Agreement. SPC is a BC-wide collaborative initiative to help local and First Nations governments address their long-term sustainability challenges by providing resources and tools for planning socially, culturally, economically and environmentally sustainable communities. SPC offers practical and current information and advice on integrated community sustainability planning from expert Sustainability Facilitators located across British Columbia. Contact information for facilitators located throughout the province can be found on SPC’s website.

Eligibility

All

Type of Support

Information
Assistance
Workshops

Contact

Maureen LeBourdais
Manager, Smart Planning for Communities
250-392-1400
mlebourdais@fraserbasin.bc.ca
http://www.fraserbasin.bc.ca/programs/smart_planning.html

32. Sustainable Development Technology Canada

Category: All

Description

Sustainable Development Technology Canada is a Government of Canada initiative that provides funding to finance and support the development of clean technologies. Funding programs include the SD Tech Fund™ and the NextGen Biofuels Fund™.

Eligibility

Non-profits,
corporations and
educational institutes.

Type of Support

Funding: Applications accepted for NextGen Biofuels Fund on an ongoing basis. Next round for the SD Tech Fund to be determined.

Contact

Sustainable Development Technology Canada
613-234-6313
applications@sdtc.ca or nextgenapplications@sdtc.ca
www.sdtc.ca

33. Victoria Transport Policy Institute (VTPI)

Category: Transportation

Description

VTPI is an independent research organization dedicated to developing innovative and practical solutions to transportation problems. It provides a variety of free resources on its website to help improve transportation planning and policy analysis.

Eligibility

All

Type of Support

Information

Contact

Victoria Transport Policy Institute
250-360-1560
info@vtpi.org
www.vtpi.org

FUNDING YOUR COMMUNITY ENERGY INITIATIVES

Produced by the Community Energy Association

About this Guide

This funding and resource guide is intended to assist British Columbia local government staff and elected officials find appropriate funding and information to support local government energy planning, efficiency and renewable energy projects. Due to limited space, it is only possible to include key information about each program. Contact the Community Energy Association, or the individual program managers, for more detailed information. CEA updates this guide on a regular basis.

About the Community Energy Association

The Community Energy Association is a charitable organization assisting BC local governments to promote energy efficiency and alternative energy through community energy planning and project implementation. For contact information and many more local government resources, including a downloadable version of this guide or updated versions, please visit: www.communityenergy.bc.ca.

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