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Community Economic Recovery Infrastructure Program project information

The Community Economic Recovery Infrastructure Program (CERIP) is a \$100-million provincially funded umbrella program, which is providing a one-time infrastructure funding grants to communities provincewide. The grants will support economic resilience, tourism, heritage and urban and rural economic development projects making life better for British Columbians and helping to restart the economy.

Shovel-worthy projects are being funded through five streams: Community Economic Resilience; Destination Development, Rural Economic Recovery, Unique Heritage Infrastructure and the Aboriginal Head Start program.

Through the CERIP's Community Economic Resilience stream, the Province is investing \$30 million to fund 63 small-scale public-use infrastructure projects throughout B.C.

CERIP project information:

Proponent Name	Project Name	Project Details	Provincial Funding
Black Creek Community Association	Covered Community-Gathering Structure	The project will build a covered outdoor space in a rustic, wooden post-and-beam style, in a busy, rural community centre.	\$398,970
West Kelowna	Jim Lind Arena and Royal LePage Place Ammonia Chiller Replacement	The project will replace the 21-year-old ammonia chiller in the ice-making plant located at the east end of the Mount Boucherie Recreation Complex, which consists of the Jim Lind Arena and the 1,500-seat, multi-purpose Royal LePage Place.	\$442,200
Williams Lake	Williams Creek and River Valley Shared Multi-User Boardwalk	The project will enhance the visitor experience along the Gold Rush Trail and construct a 900-metre multi-use boardwalk to complete the 15-km uninterrupted trail connecting Williams Lake to the Fraser River.	\$550,000
Granisle	Curling Rink Facility Upgrade	The project will upgrade the Granisle curling rink, the most used recreational facility in the community.	\$362,148

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Silverton Co-work Society	North Slokan Valley Community Food Centre	The project will provide local food entrepreneurs with an accessible commercial kitchen and flexible spaces for service/sales to the public.	\$899,770
Southern Vancouver Island Nature Trails Society	Canada Cup Trail Phase Two	The project will build Phase 2 of the Canada Cup trail, extending it 2.8 km further through the forested areas of the Valley Golf Course.	\$336,113
Takla First Nation	Playground Construction and Trail Enhancement Initiative	The project will provide an improved space for outdoor programming and child development with the construction of a playground and an upgrade to the bike trail system on the traditional territory.	\$470,800
Fort St. John	Kin Park Improvements Phase 1	The project will provide new, high quality recreation opportunities, as well as a central hub for community members of Fort St. John and the surrounding region, as well as tourists visiting the city during events.	\$994,500
Lakes District Film Appreciation Society	Beacon Theatre Siding and Front Façade Project	The project will update the Beacon Theatre, one of only a small handful of community-owned theaters in the province.	\$309,000
Sointula Resource Centre Society	Sointula Community Pavilion	The project will construct an open-air community gathering place in the heart of downtown Sointula for meetings, workshops, educational talks, community markets and a performance space for local artists and performers.	\$105,660
Central Coast	Centennial Pool Renewal	The project will upgrade the 1967 Centennial Pool facility centrally located in Hagensborg in the Bella Coola Valley.	\$990,840
Central Saanich	Multi-Use Pathway on Benvenuto Avenue	The project will construct a new, 450-metre-long separated, multi-use pathway along Benvenuto Avenue, between Wallace Drive and the Butchart Gardens.	\$322,800
Fraser Lake	Fraser Lake Community Hall Development	The project will upgrade the local curling rink into a year-round community hall and gathering place.	\$1 million

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Pacific Institute for Sport Excellence (PISE) Society	PISE: Field of Dreams	The project will update the PISE sports field.	\$1 million
Pemberton	Pemberton and Area Mountain Bike Skills Park	The project will construct a mountain bike skills park at the Pemberton and District Recreation Site.	\$974,258
Victoria Lawn Bowling Club (VLBC)	VLBC: Rehabilitate Bowling Greens and Floodlights	The project will rehabilitate the lawn bowling greens and replace the existing perimeter structures.	\$112,312
Smithers	Arena Ice Plants Consolidation and Heat Recovery – Phase 1	The project will upgrade the arena built in 2014, adding a new chiller and then connecting a new brine supply and return piping between it and the curling rink ammonia ice plant.	\$980,000
Columbia Valley Airport Society	CYZC Airport Runway Refurbishment	The project will refurbish the runway constructed in 1986 at the Columbia Valley airport in Fairmont Hot Springs.	\$242,528
Gabriola Community Bus Foundation	A new home for Gabriola's GERTIE bus	The project will provide for the update of the 1970 fire hall to house the community bus, Gabriola's Environmentally Responsible Trans-Isle Express (GERTIE).	\$187,847
Gitga'at Development Corporation	GDC Building energy efficiency and accessibility upgrade	The project will upgrade a two-storey building in downtown Prince Rupert to improve energy efficiency, improve accessibility for Elders and mobility challenged people, and replace the front awning to address public safety concerns.	\$456,000
Sicamous	Sicamous Beach Park Improvements	The project will replace the existing public washroom at Beach Park in Sicamous, as it is undersized and lacks adequate amenities, such as handicap and gender-neutral accommodations.	\$447,000
Squamish Off-Road Cycling Association	Mountain Bike Skills Park Upgrade	The project will upgrade the Brennan Park Mountain Bike Skills Park built next to the local community centre.	\$65,642
Dunster Fine Arts School Society	Building Envelope	The project will upgrade the 55-year-old Dunster Schoolhouse to provide an energy efficient building, as well as add a wheelchair ramp to address accessibility issues.	\$191,832

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Dzawada'enuxw First Nation	Himanis Traditional Bighouse Upgrades 2021	The project will upgrade the traditional Bighouse "Himanis" to include washroom facilities and a kitchen area.	\$354,650
Italian Cultural Centre Society	Osteria Kitchen upgrades	The project will provide upgrades to the kitchen, which provides chef-prepared, healthy meals for children, families and seniors on Vancouver's Downtown East side.	\$160,000
Mackenzie	Mackenzie Arena Compressor and Ice Plan Upgrades Project	The project will provide upgrades to the arena.	\$236,250
Maple Ridge	Youth Action Amenities at Silver Valley Gathering Place	The project will provide youth action amenities, specifically a parkour course and pump track as components of a larger project (Silver Valley Gathering Place).	\$200,000
Quatsino First Nation	Quatsino First Nation – Indigenous Food Hub	The project will provide for the development of an aggregation and innovation hub for wild-crafted non-timber products.	\$556,157
Revelstoke	Revelstoke Valley Trail – Phase 1	The project will provide Phase 1 of a valley trail, to serve as a primary alternative, accessible transportation route completing the connection from the downtown core to the recreation facilities at Revelstoke Mountain Resort and Williamson Lake.	\$947,039
Rossland	Rossland old Wagon Road (Green Link) Improvement Project	The project will improve a 700-metre section of the old Wagon Road for a multi-use path and provide an off-road route between the Redstone subdivision and downtown Rossland.	\$132,525
Terrace	Lakelse Gateway Connection Project	The project will instal a one-kilometre, multi-use destination pathway on the north side of Lakelse Avenue.	\$921,352
Ashcroft Indian Band (AIB)	AIB Sports Box and Playground	The project will install a multi-use sports box and purchase sports equipment for a community-based, on-reserve sports program.	\$398,645
B.C. Wildlife Federation	Outdoor Access Improvement Project	The project will upgrade 10 to 20 docks and/or associated infrastructure (e.g., trails, mobility accessible infrastructure) around the province.	\$581,223

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British Columbia Mountain Foundation	Backcountry Outhouse, Campsite Area and Creek Crossing at Ossa Mountain	The project will build an outhouse and campsite for Tantalus Provincial Park at the base of Ossa Mountain.	\$58,278
Delta	Ladner Covered Multi-Sport Court	The project will redevelop the existing outdoor Ladner lacrosse court into a covered and serviced facility.	\$1 million
Milworth Community Association	Milworth Community Outdoor Rink – Repaving	The project will level and resurface the asphalt on the Milworth community outdoor rink.	\$28,776
Oak Bay	Oak Bay Arena Chiller and Brine Piping Replacement	The project will replace the existing chiller and piping system with safer, more reliable and efficient technology.	\$524,275
Oliver Curling Club Society	Oliver Curling Club Ice Plant Upgrades	The project will upgrade old equipment to ensure ice making and curling can continue in Oliver.	\$80,000
Prince George Golf and Curling Club Ltd.	Refrigeration Plant Conversion (Ammonia to Freon) and Insulation Improvements	The project will upgrade the aging ammonia-based refrigeration plant to a higher efficiency and safer freon plant.	\$648,000
Tumbler Ridge	Chiller and Condenser Replacement and Upgrades + Maintenance Manual and Training	The project will remove the old refrigeration shell, tube chiller and install the new plate and frame chiller, including the transfer of all piping, electrical and controls hookups.	\$1 million
Midway	Boundary Expo Rec Centre Chiller & Condensing Tower Replacement	The project will replace the 21-year-old chiller and condensing tower, which are nearing the end of their lifespans.	\$319,410
Ashcroft	Legacy Park Upgrades	The project will provide for upgrades to the Legacy Park, including providing electrical and sewer services and additional tenting sites.	\$124,191
Bowen Island Public Library Foundation	Snug Cove Cultural Corner	The project will create a public community square in the heart of Bowen Island's village.	\$398,000

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Cortes Community Economic Development Association	Cortes Community Economic Development Association's COVID-19 Response Project	The project will improve pedestrian access to 1.05 hectares (2.6 acres) of vacant land, including the installation of extra facilities, such as picnic tables, portable toilets, public seating and a gathering space.	\$63,052
Cowichan Valley	South Cowichan Outdoor Pickleball Complex	The project will install outdoor pickleball courts for the community.	\$550,000
Cumberland	Cumberland Lake Park Waterfront Infrastructure Renewal	The project will renew the Cumberland Lake Park, a popular local and regional destination and the only public access point to Comox Lake.	\$169,000
Kent	Aberdeen Building Revitalization Project	The project will upgrade the Aberdeen building built in 1995, a tribute to the original Aberdeen Hotel, which was the first building in the Agassiz village area in 1894.	\$395,000
Lake Country Art Gallery Society	Lake Country Art Gallery Facilities Update	The project will provide functional facility upgrades to the art gallery.	\$40,000
Mission Community Skills Centre Society	Fraser Valley Artisans' Food Centre	The project will retrofit and upgrade an existing building in downtown Abbotsford to a full-scale Fraser Valley artisans' food centre.	\$999,450
Mount Waddington	Train Engine Viewing Platform and Infrastructure for Nimpkish Valley Heritage Park	The project will upgrade the Nimpkish Valley Heritage Park with the addition of new infrastructure, attractions and associated amenities for a more immersive experience for visitors.	\$121,650
Nelson	Hall Street Pier Project	The project will provide upgrades to the Hall Street Pier, which was a vital regional transportation hub in the 1900s where sternwheelers, railcars and horse-drawn cabs would converge.	\$1,000,000
Nicola Valley Rodeo Association	Electrical upgrade to Nicola Valley rodeo grounds	The project will update the rodeo grounds in the historic Nicola Valley Rodeo Grounds in Merritt.	\$440,729

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Penticton	Construction of the Lake to Lake AAA Cycling Route Section 3 and 4	The project will construct a 6.5-km cycling route in the heart of Penticton, connecting the Okanagan and Skaha lakes in the valley bottom and making it possible for cyclists of all ages and abilities (AAA) to safely ride to key destinations throughout the city.	\$1,000,000
Quadra Island Recreation Society	Quadra Island Community Centre Bike Park	The project will upgrade the jump park at the Quadra Island Community Centre.	\$180,000
Qualicum Beach	East Village Revitalization Phase 2	The project is Phase 2 of a project to transform a neglected area in Qualicum Beach's uptown into a pedestrian-oriented neighbourhood.	\$444,525
Richmond	Alexandra Neighbourhood Park	The project will provide construction upgrades in Alexandra Neighbourhood Park for an ecological focus while adding key amenities and accommodating an expansion of the existing geothermal Alexandra District Energy Utility.	\$1 million
Strawberry Vale District and Community Club	Community Hall Repairs/Renovation	The project will renovate the 125-year-old community hall building and provide the Greater Victoria area with increased availability to services that would arise from a health authority approved commercial kitchen.	\$246,400
Tahsis	Outdoor shelters and benches	The project will construct outdoor seating (benches and shelters) along popular pedestrian routes, local trails and in municipal parks.	\$82,800
Vancouver	Coopers Park Washroom	The project will construct and install a Portland Loo toilet at Coopers Park.	\$645,000
Vernon	Priest Valley Arena Chiller/Refrigeration Replacement Project	The project will upgrade the aging infrastructure and replace the chillers and compressors in the refrigeration plant that services the Priest Valley Arena, the Vernon Curling Rink and the Centennial Outdoor Rink.	\$695,000
Wells	Wells Outdoor Skating Rink Improvement Project	The project will provide substantial improvements to the Wells Outdoor Skating Rink.	\$441,600

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Williams Lake Trail Riders Association	Stable and Riding Arena Re-roofing	The project will upgrade the stables that provide secure and accessible boarding for horses.	\$109,803
Yucwmenlúcwu (Caretakers of the Land) LLP 2007	Quilakwa Community Tourism Enhancement	The project will provide new structures in the village site as the site is in part a fully functioning recreational vehicle park.	\$867,000

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