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COMMUNITY RESILIENCY INVESTMENT PROGRAM - COLUMBIA BASIN WILDFIRE RESILIENCY INITIATIVE, January 2024

This program builds community capacity and strengthens wildfire resilience and wildfire risk reduction activities in the Basin in relation to the seven FireSmart disciplines.

Community	Organization	Project	Description	Amount
Elkford	District of Elkford	District of Elkford FireSmart Coordinator	Hire a FireSmart Coordinator for a two-year position to build capacity, strengthen community resilience and reduce wildfire risk.	\$180,000
Golden, CSRD Area A	Columbia Woodlot Association	Columbia Woodlot Association Holistic Approach to Wildfire Risk Reduction	Increase the coordination of wildfire risk reduction and wildfire resiliency activities by establishing a Community Wildfire Roundtable for Town of Golden and area. Promote FireSmart initiatives amongst woodlot licensees and long-term, landscape level planning for wildfire risk reduction.	\$200,000
Golden	Golden Cycling Club	Golden Cycling Club Wildfire Risk Reduction	Implement fuel management treatment on nine hectares of municipal land to create a demonstration site for community education.	\$200,000
Kaslo	Village of Kaslo	Kaslo Youth FireSmart Program	Hire a FireSmart Coordinator to increase wildfire preparedness and awareness among Kaslo youth and the community.	\$35,000
Lardeau Valley	Lardeau Valley Opportunity LINKS Society	Lardeau Valley FireSmart and Wildfire Resiliency	Hire a part-time FireSmart Coordinator to build capacity, strengthen community resilience and reduce wildfire risk, as well as implement fuel management on 10 hectares of local government land to create a demonstration site for community education.	\$188,000
Nelson	City of Nelson	Nelson Community Wildfire Resiliency	Hold a community FireSmart event; implement a community fuel-reduction pickup for residents; plan and implement fuel management treatments to create eight demonstration sites	\$198,000



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			on municipal land (totaling nine hectares); and implement	
			communication strategies to	
			promote wildfire resiliency in the	
			Nelson area.	
Radium Hot	Village of	Radium	Implement fuel management	\$68,000
Springs	Radium Hot	FireSmart	treatment at two sites on	
	Springs	Demonstration	municipal land (totaling four	
		Fuel Treatment	hectares) to create demonstration sites to promote	
			community education.	
Regional	Regional	Regional	Hire two local FireSmart	\$160,000
District of	District of	FireSmart	representatives to build wildfire	4 . 33,333
East	East	Resiliency	resiliency and awareness in the	
Kootenay	Kootenay	Initiative	East Kootenay.	
Areas A, B,				
F and G				
Rosebery	Rosebery	Rosebery	Implement fuel management	\$200,000
	Community	Wildfire Risk	treatment on 10 hectares of	
	Association	Reduction Project	Crown land to create a demonstration site for community	
		Fioject	education.	
Shuswap	Shuswap	Shuswap Band	Implement fuel maintenance	\$176,000
Band	Band	Fuel	treatment on 31 hectares of	
		Management	Crown land adjacent to the	
		Treatment	Shuswap Band community.	
Yaqit	Yaqit	Yaqit	Hire a FireSmart Coordinator to	\$180,000
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		FireSmart	community resilience and reduce	
		Coordinator	wildfire risk through activities like	
			community engagement and training.	
			TOTAL	\$1,785,000
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