List of Approved Rural Community Development Grants

**Trail Projects:**

**Local governments (15):**

- The Cariboo Regional District: Low Mobility Wilderness Trails Network Further Expansion ($100,000). Expansion of region-wide accessible wilderness trails network, with three new trails.
- City of Quesnel: Master Trail Network Plan ($10,000). Map and design a connecting trail network between Hallis Lake and Wonderland trail systems.
- City of Salmon Arm: West Bay Connector Trail Plan - Phase 1: Site Survey, Technical Engineering Design, and Costing ($100,000). Phase 1 plans for a 13-km pathway between Salmon Arm and Tappen and improve pedestrian/bicycle commuter safety.
- City of Terrace: Grand Trunk Pathway Connection and Completion Project: Terrace to Kitsumkalum (Skeena River Walk Section) ($500,000). Complete primary pedestrian and cycling pathway in the City, connecting to Kitsumkalum First Nation to the west.
- Corporation of the Village of Keremeos: Keremeos River Walk Trail Accessibility and Promotion ($37,055). Improvements and promotion of the Similkameen River Trail as a recreation attraction that is accessible to all ages and abilities.
- District of Logan Lake: Logan Lake - Mimi Falls Legacy Bike Trail ($100,000). Bike trail to celebrate Logan Lake’s 50th anniversary, and first stage of a network around Logan Lake.
- District of Mackenzie: Mackenzie Destination Trail & Facilities Project ($500,000). Signature trail and infrastructure upgrades to link local recreation centre, ski hill, bike park, beach park, and x-country ski trails and chalet, and allow year-round use.
- District of Tumbler Ridge: Peace Region Biking Mecca: Building a World Class Mountain Biking Destination ($500,000). World-class cross-country mountain biking trails for all levels and downhill trails within the UNESCO Global Geopark.
- Regional District of Central Kootenay: RDCK Trail Connectivity and Parks Enhancement Project ($163,450). Rehabilitate recreational trail assets, improve connectivity of the existing network and infrastructure at two Community Hubs in RDCK regional parks.
- Regional District of Okanagan-Similkameen: Similkameen Rail Trail ($112,590). A 3.5-km multi-use trail network along the VVE Rail Trail connecting Keremeos and Cawston.
- Town of Qualicum Beach: Rodway Trail Construction ($100,000). Re-establish the recreation and commuter trail, connecting residents in West Qualicum Beach to the commercial waterfront area, including graded access point, stairs to beach.
- Village of Granisle: Developing and utilizing Granisle area's natural assets ($100,000). Planning and design of a pier/promenade feature, survey work, and detail design for about 10 km of multi-use waterfront trail connecting Granisle waterfront, New Beach Campground, Lions Beach, Red Bluff Provincial Park, Tachet Reserve, Fulton River Fish Hatchery, & Topley Landing.
- Village of Port Clements: Golden Spruce Trail Extension Study ($10,000). Study the feasibility of extending Golden Spruce Trail up a portion of the Yakoun River and connecting with existing Sunset Trail.
• Village of Port Clements: Sunset Trail Improvement Project ($99,951). Restore Sunset Trail by replacing bridges, resurfacing sections, falling danger trees and selective thinning where trail crosses Sunset Park Campground.
• Village of Queen Charlotte: Queen Charlotte Trails Strategy ($10,000). Identify options for a destination trail or trails in the forests adjacent to the Village of Queen Charlotte.

Indigenous communities and organizations (6):
• Ashcroft Indian Band: Campground Phase II - Final completion ($417,800). Grade 13 individual camp sites, install sanitary, water and electrical hook-ups, complete landscaping and lighting, add parking, fire pits, picnic tables and signage.
• Carrier Chilcotin Tribal Council: Nuxalk -Dakelh Grease Trail Maintenance and Enhancement Project ($95,595). Complete trail restoration and maintenance of six priority sections of Nuxalk -Dakelh Grease Trail totalling 54.5 kilometres of trail bed.
• Gitga’at First Nation: Hartley Bay Destination Trail Project ($380,000). Multi-use trail through the Great Bear Coastal Rainforest to connect Hartley Bay to Malsey Bay, including a gathering area with tent pads, facilities at Malsey Bay.
• Lax Kw’alaams Business Development: Laku Creek Trail Loop ($49,512). First phase of an eight-trail network that will eventually link Lax Kw’aalaams to Laku Creek and the Metlakatla Coastal Trail.
• Simpcw First Nation: Simpcw’ulcw Trails Facilities & Amenities Development Project ($50,333). Critical infrastructure and amenities to continue to develop as a world class destination for single track nature trails and outdoor recreation.
• Village of Gingolx: Village of Gingolx Signature Trails & Campground Enhancement Initiative ($100,000). Develop 5 km of nature trails for hiking, trail running, and mountain biking; feasibility study on service enhancements to existing campground.

Not-for-profit organizations (18):
• Alexandria Community Hall Society: Alexandria Community Hall Economic Development ($10,000). Firesmarting and removing danger trees, creating and improving campsites on hall site, and creation of a plan to drive both hall and campsite rentals.
• Arrow and Slocan Lakes Community Services: Mt. Abriel Trail Network - Destination, Peak to Beach ($100,000). Further develop Upper Polygon Down Hill Destination Trail from the peak of Mt. Abriel to Upper Arrow Lake, showcasing Nakusp and area as a world-renowned mountain biking destination and attraction for tourists and residents.
• Atlin Alpine Society: Destination Atlin Trail Network ($38,602). Restore/improve existing recreation trails to attract visitors and promote safe and respectful use of the land.
• Back Country Horsemen of British Columbia – North Vancouver Island Chapter: Salmon Brewster Trail Development Assessment ($10,000). Address high priority recommendation of the Trail Assessment report “that a qualified professional determine appropriate measures that will improve trail stability and increase user safety.”
• Back Country Horsemen of British Columbia – Robson Valley Chapter: Bell Mountain Multi-use trail network and Rustic Equine Campground Project ($25,000). Phase 3 of a trail network and rustic equine campground on Bell Mountain near McBride. Rehabilitate older trails, complete five new connectors and stump removal in proposed campground.
Bamfield Huu-ay-aht Community Forest Society: Planning, initial layout of trails and construction of one trail loop within the Bamfield Huu-ay-aht Community Forest ($32,450). Flag the location of six walking trails and construct a two km long trail loop.

Burns Lake Mountain Biking Association: Village Connector and Uptack Project ($100,000). Expand mountain bike network by creating an uptrack trail to the top of Boer Mountain and a village connector trail towards Burns Lake.

Columbia Valley Greenways Trail Alliance: Markin-MacPhail Westside Legacy Trail ($500,000). Complete last two of seven segments of the 25-km long multi-use trail connecting Invermere and Fairmont Hotsprings.

Galiano Conservancy Association: Tranquility Bluff Destination Trail Project ($39,600). Build a 1.75-kilometre interpretive hiking trail at Millard Learning Centre, passing through active ecological restoration and local food and energy production areas.

Kootenay Columbia Trails Society: Millennial Trails Project ($100,000). A partnership between the Society and Red Mountain Resort to create year-round recreational tourism opportunities by developing 8 km of multi-use, year-round, destination trails.

Morice Mountain Nordic Ski Club: Morice Mountain Trail Upgrades ($33,600). Upgrade network of trail systems as part of a 6,000 hectare year-round, multi-use hub.

Revelstoke Cycling Association: Sunnyside Trail Network ($25,500). “Enduro” style trail network where riders will climb on the designated climb trail, and descend on different trails, a different offering from Revelstoke’s existing trails.

Shuswap Hut and Trail Alliance Society: 2020 Shuswap Trails Infrastructure Project ($100,000). Build on and diversify tourism through restoration and repair of two historic alpine hiking routes, and the addition of a new mountain bike climb and descent trail.

Shuswap Hut and Trail Alliance Society: 2020 Shuswap Trails Planning Project ($10,000). Continues successive planning of priorities of the Shuswap Regional Trails Strategy through the preparation of six new trail plans in four sub-regional areas.

Squamish Off-Road Cycling Association: Diamond Head Network Revitalization ($50,000). Upgrades to seven key trails in the destination trail network for mountain bikers and other users to enhance safety, accessibility, and sustainability.

Terrace Off Road Cycling Association: Courthouse Trails Project (The Hub) ($100,000). Develop a family and youth-oriented mountain bike trails and skills progression area, connecting downtown to the existing Terrace Mountain Trail Network with about 3 km of trails and a 2,500 m² area for a pump track and kids skills development trail.

Wells and Area Trails Society: Wells School to Learning Trail Development Phase One ($79,190). First of a three-phase project to provide trail access to the forest north of Wells, to enable forest education and research programs and increase tourism potential between Wells, the Cornish Mountain recreational trail system and Goldfields Lookout.

Wells Gray Outdoors Club: Wells Gray Outdoors Club Mountain Bike Trail Network - Phase 2 ($50,000). Create a green trail linking to the Rim Loop Trail. A second downhill (shuttle option) will be constructed with other funding to round out the network.

Non-trail Projects:
Local governments (37)

Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District. Alberni Valley Regional Airport Strategic Economic Development Plan ($10,000). Host a workshop and develop a Strategic Economic Development Plan for the recently expanded Alberni Valley Regional Airport (AVRA).
• Capital Regional District: Southern Gulf Islands Connectivity Design Strategy ($50,000). Advance economic growth in the Southern Gulf Islands through community-based infrastructure design strategy for high speed internet connectivity.
• City of Cranbrook: Investment Attraction and Marketing of Industrial Lands ($80,000). An economic approach to explore how the City can develop a green and renewable energy industrial park on 99 acres of recently purchased retired industrial lands.
• City of Fort St. John: Fort St John Visitor Centre Feasibility Study ($96,000). Feasibility study for a new visitor centre to include site, recommended amenities, themes, partners, a concept design plan and estimate for construction and operations.
• City of Merritt: Economic Development Community Development Projects ($100,000). Six priority economic development projects to address the 2016 closure of Tolko Industries and the June 2019 shift reduction at Aspen Planers. Community Grant Writer; Merritt Youth Entrepreneurship Program, Tourism Coordinator Position, Tourism Attraction Videos, Community Information Signage, Merritt and Nicola Valley Trail Coordinator Position.
• City of Quesnel: What's Happening Project ($100,000). Online and print event hosting guide with an interactive "event builder" tool to encourage groups to host large events in Quesnel, including photos and videos for the guide and future marketing campaigns.
• Corporation of the City of Grand Forks: Wayfinding Program Master Plan ($40,000). Plan to connect visitors with community amenities and encourage residents to discover their town through healthy, active means, promoting long term flood recovery, downtown revitalization, active transportation and economic development.
• The Corporation of the District of Summerland: Summerland Waterfront Concept Plan ($10,000). Analysis of popular waterfront areas including Peach Orchard Beach Park to Rotary Beach to determine a long-term vision.
• The Corporation of the Village of Clinton: Clinton Marketing Plan ($10,00). Update marketing materials to enhance tourist experiences and increase interest in investment and/or immigration.
• Corporation of the Village of Midway: Community Centre Expansion Feasibility Study ($10,000). Engage a business consultant to assess the feasibility, complete a business plan, and provide a better understanding of expected revenues and costs.
• Corporation of the Village of Fruitvale: The Village of Fruitvale Economic Development Workplan and Community Re-Branding Project ($100,000). Develop an economic development workplan and complete a branding process for the Village of Fruitvale.
• The Corporation of the Village of Lumby: Salmon Trail Expansion Project ($99,500). The Salmon Trail is an exceptional amenity within the Village of Lumby with enormous potential, but needs resources and effort, to optimize it as a destination trail.
• The Corporation of the Village of McBride: McBride and Area Broadband Review Study and Action Plan ($10,000). A strategy to expand broadband connectivity in McBride and the Robson Valley including a technological assessment and funding opportunities.
• District of 100 Mile House: Community Transition Capacity Project ($235,000). Enhance local government capacity through a period of community transition by contracting of a Community Transition Lead, assessing needs and gaps, drafting a Community Transition Plan and managing transition communications.
• District of Clearwater: District of Clearwater Community Transition/Recovery Strategy ($170,000). Mitigate impacts from Vavenby sawmill closure, identify opportunities,
address social and community needs, and develop strategies for long-term community and economic development and diversification including broadband/cellular.

- **The District of Fort St. James: Historic Park to Downtown Connector Trail – Design ($153,643).** Detailed design to connect foot and bicycle traffic between Fort. St. James National Historic Park, Nak'azdli First Nation Reserve, the downtown core, Spirit Square, and Cottonwood Park, and address shoreline stabilization concerns along Stuart Lake.

- **District of Houston: The Truck Stops Here - Phase One Feasibility Study ($10,000).** The first phase of the implementation of a full-service truck stop on Highway 16 consisting of a feasibility study to evaluate the location and other factors for this initiative.

- **District of Houston: Bymac Park Expansion Feasibility Study ($100,000).** Explore the feasibility of expanding Bymac Park by building a new boat launch and increasing capacity of campground up to 25 sites, with water and power and a caretaker.

- **District of Kitimat: Kitimat Campgrounds Expansion Improvements ($220,778).** District of Kitimat and Chamber of Commerce and Visitor Centre to create 11 campsites at Radley Park Campground and eight campsites and 15 picnic sites at Hirsch Creek Park.

- **District of Port Hardy: Boatyard & Haul-Out Facility Feasibility Study & Report ($60,000).** Complete a feasibility study for a boatyard and haul-out facility to service vessels along the north coast – if viable to be undertaken in collaboration with First Nation partners.

- **District of Sparwood: Downtown Revitalization and Economic Diversification Strategy ($100,000).** Prepare a long-term strategy aimed at encouraging business retention, expansion and attraction, and looking for opportunities to connect the community's two main commercial areas: Centennial Square and Aspen Drive.

- **District of Ucluelet: Ucluelet Tourism Master Plan ($33,416).** Develop a Tourism Master Plan to provide actions and a timeline to enhance the visitor experience, engage the tourism community and other stakeholders to identify a shared community vision and strategies, actions and partnerships to achieve it.

- **Regional District of Kitimat-Stikine, Area B: Kitimat-Stikine Agriculture Sector Support Plan ($10,000).** Combine existing literature, stakeholder engagement, and best practices to create a clear direction for the Regional District's Economic Development Commission on strategic investments to support the stability and growth of agricultural businesses.

- **The Regional District of Kootenay Boundary - Scaling up the Meat Sector in Boundary Country ($500,000).** Phase 1 construction of a meat processing facility and initiatives including developing a Boundary meat brand and a grass-fed certification program.

- **Regional District of Mount Waddington: VINTAS Training and Attraction Program ($100,000).** Move beyond the initial pilot program and implement a strategy for a long-term program for forest sector training and resident attraction, through an ambassador program, a job fair program, an outreach program, and work to secure ongoing funding.

- **Squamish-Lillooet Regional District: Heritage Protocol Development - SLRD Electoral Area B ($10,000).** Develop a Heritage Protocol for better understanding of mutual needs and objectives of the regional district and area First Nations to work towards developing joint park spaces and co-tourism management and marketing of these assets.

- **Squamish-Lillooet Regional District: Developing a Sustainable Business Case for the Sale of Mt. Meager landslide sediment from the Lillooet River ($10,000).** A feasibility study on the sale of the sediment removed from the Lillooet River for flood risk reduction.
• Squamish-Lillooet Regional District: Business Plan: Haylmore Heritage Site Development as Tourist Attraction ($10,000). Develop a business plan to develop Haylmore Heritage Property into a larger, more sustainable heritage attraction, and draw more visitors.

• Town of Port McNeill: Port McNeill Downtown Improvement Plan ($10,000). Assessment of Port McNeill's downtown to develop an Action Plan to create an “attractive and sought-after community” for new workers, families and visitors.

• Town of Princeton: Town of Princeton Marketing Campaign ($100,000). Design and implement an extensive Visit Princeton Marketing campaign, with the end goal of diversifying and growing the local economy, focusing marketing on Princeton's recent addition as one of Canada's largest life size bronze sculpture collections.

• Village of Burns Lake: Burns Lake Tourism Plan and Mobile Visitors Centre Project ($70,000). Guide tourism development in a coordinated and forward-looking way to ensure the long-term success of tourism as it relates to community's goals and vision.

• Village of Gold River: Destination Development ($59,800). Develop options and create Gold River Branding Standards for the Tourism/Economic Development website, wayfinding signs, graphics and promotional materials, creating an easily identifiable look and feel to Gold River promotion and marketing.

• Village of Lytton: Fraser Canyon Yale to Lytton Tourism Master Plan ($77,780). Driven by a steering committee of local governments, First Nations and tourism stakeholders, collaboratively create a Tourism Master Plan for the Yale to Lytton segment of the Fraser Canyon, and market analysis to identify opportunities.


• Village of Port Alice: Port Alice Interpretive Sign Project ($80,000). Install signs along sea walk describing predators in the inlet and at the dyke, update signage at town entrance, install a sea otter chainsaw carving at Lyons Park.

• Village of Silverton - Slocan Valley Regional Economic Development Implementation Project ($100,000). Complete project with outcomes to include: agriculture and tech sector business retention and expansion, cannabis industry transition, attraction strategy, affordable housing, connectivity, non-profit network development, digital media, refresh Economic Development Strategy, and destination marketing.

• Village of Telkwa – Development of Parks Master Plan ($10,000). Positive changes in the Village of Telkwa as a result of repairs/maintenance, planning and development, along with the promotion of healthy living, to impact local tourism sector and accessibility.

Indigenous communities and organizations (33):

• Akisq’nuk First Nation: Akisqnuk Bed & Breakfast Feasibility Study ($10,000). Feasibility study to examine the development and operation of an Indigenous themed bed & breakfast on Akisqnuk First Nation lands.

• Atli Resources Limited Partnership: Vancouver Island North Wood Waste Opportunity Study ($96,000). Investigate the use of North Island wood waste in value added manufacturing, assess available inventory, identify potential value-added uses, evaluate feasibility of a sub-set and recommend an option for a value-added processing facility.
• Burns Lake Native Development Corporation: Forest Equipment Operator Training ($100,000). The project will train First Nation students to operate heavy duty equipment used in the forest industry and skills transferable to other industries.

• Chawathil First Nation – Hope IR#1 Economic Opportunity Foundation ($100,000). Pursue economic development of top priority area through more and improved use of existing campground, planning and design of infrastructure for complementary highway commercial and tourism related development.

• Cook's Ferry Indian Band: CFIB Pimainus Lake Camp Project - Capital, Infrastructure and Planning/Capacity Development ($100,000). Prepare the Pimainus Lake Camp for start-up and operation, through purchase of recreational gear and key infrastructure, launching a website and booking system, preparing marketing materials, tourism training, Business Development Planning and conceptual planning.

• Doig River First Nation: Conceptual Development Plan for Urban Land Holdings ($100,000). An economic analysis of development opportunities for three Doig River First Nation owned urban fee-simple properties in Fort St. John, investigate servicing availability, and create development concepts that illustrate potential development.

• Doig River First Nation: Doig River First Nation - Hay Farming Operation Assessment ($10,000). A feasibility study to assess viability of a hay farming operation on farm lands owned by the Nation. The operation would enable DRFN to expand into the agricultural sector while also providing training and employment opportunities for Nation members.

• Fisheries Limited Partnership (0997211): Cold Storage/Freezing ($92,300). Expansion of cold-storage service with “instant” blast-freezing service to create and fulfil a local market need in the North island, including equipment and staff.

• Gitga’at Development Corporation: Hartley Bay Harbourfront Development Plan ($10,000). With Chief and Council, develop a 28-room hotel facility that includes a 52-seat restaurant and nearby farmer's market style retail space on the harbour consisting of four to six mini-longhouses.

• High Bar First Nation: High Bar First Nation Economic Development Strategy ($65,539). Prepare an economic development strategy to enable Band members to move back home by articulating a vision, identifying lands to acquire and develop, determine partnerships and identify investments needed.

• Hupacasath First Nation: Kleekhoot Gold Bigleaf Maple Syrup Farm Expansion Project ($99,939). Expand production capacity of Hupacasath’s existing syrup business by increasing tree inventory by over 50% by researching and developing a secondary site for sap production and building capacity in community members.

• Khowutzun Development Corporation: Development and Testing of the Khowutzun Freegro Drought Mitigation Shelter and Stake Manufacturing Support ($49,700). Finalize product development and field test and assist KDC to acquire, set up and test a stake manufacturing facility using forest residue from a pilot launched recently by its sister company, KFS.

• Kitselas Geothermal Inc.: Renewable Geothermal District Heating Customer Identification for Kitselas Airport Commercial Lands and Kitselas Development Corp (KDC) Industrial Park ($50,000). Identify customers for geothermal district heating within the Kitselas Airport Commercial Lands and the KDC Industrial Park, including energy audits, case studies, and econometric analyses, and workshops.
• Kwakiutl Nation Development Corporation – Kwakiutl Skills Inventory Project ($40,000). Focus on strategic labour market issues within Kwakiutl First Nation’s (KFN) traditional territory and identify industries with capacity of KFN members to fill jobs, identify strategies for building KFN’s capacity, and recommendations for moving forward.

• Lake Cowichan First Nation: Ts’uubaa-asatx Waterfront Enhancement Project ($68,500). Enhance access and recreation opportunities on the Lower Cowichan First Nation waterfront by supporting design and development of infrastructure at the water’s edge, including design and construction of a kayak/canoe storage and rental building at the existing dock location and detailed engineering design of the marina.

• Lil’wat Nation: Birkenhead River Swing Bridge Feasibility Study ($9,899). Study to determine costs and permit requirements to replace an existing pedestrian bridge that is unusable, unsafe and irreparable. The bridge provided an alternative emergency evacuation route and access to economic activities, recreation, fisheries and harvesting.

• Little Shuswap Indian Band and Sun Peak Mountain Ski Resort Municipality: Skw’lax cultural and economic installation in municipal centre ($270,000). A partnership to create a space in Sun Peaks civic centre for Little Shuswap Indian Band cultural and economic expression, resulting in direct employment opportunities to Band members and increased awareness of the skills and product offerings of Band members.

• Lower Kootenay Indian Band: yaqan nukiy Food Processing Facility ($92,355). Finalize the business case and infrastructure design to support development of an Indigenous owned ‘on farm’ food processing facility which utilizes second quality fruit, vegetable and overproduction crops, with training for community members.

• Lytton First Nation: Lytton Food Hub ($80,000). Provide viable food processing and preserving operations for local foods and products, crop scenarios, and present an economic development opportunity for rural Fraser Canyon communities.

• Neskonlith Indian Band - Neskonlith Micro Economy ($100,000). Implement Comprehensive Community Plan objectives to develop a micro economy through hiring an individual with business planning expertise, developing an implementation plan, and mentoring a community member in the role of economic development coordinator.

• Nisga’a Lisims Government: Nisga’a Business Incubator Pilot ($100,000). Launch entrepreneurship programs for under-represented Indigenous peoples, develop and support Nisga’a citizens in entrepreneurship with a supportive learning platform, one-on-one advisory services, mentorship, and peer support.

• Nuu-chah-nulth Seafood Limited Partnership: Analysis of Capacity of West Coast Vancouver Island Coastal Communities to Deliver Large-Scale Ocean Farming of Seaweed ($170,784). Gather and analyze information critical to the growth of the seafood business, including an analysis of available workforce, skill sets, infrastructure, warehousing, cold storage, approved processing facilities and transportation systems.

• Saa’men Economic Development Limited Partnership: Resort Feasibility Study ($10,000). Determine the feasibility of developing a hotel/resort in one of two locations, rural hotel versus waterfront urban multi-use resort and conference centre.

• Saulteau First Nations: Land Use and Economic Development Plan ($100,000). Conduct land use and economic planning for Saulteau First Nations' reserve and fee-simple urban lands, which total over 30,000 acres through a market analysis, and identify lands for economic commercial, market, residential and industrial development activities.
• Skulqalt Forestry Limited Partnership: Smelqmix By Design ($10,000). Develop a website to support the economic development goals of the Lower Similkameen Indian Band.

• Spayum Holdings Limited Partnership: Residential Development Plan ($28,000). Completion of a zoning amendment for Spayum-owned lands to allow it to begin land development and create a revenue stream with a modular home subdivision.

• Sts’ailes Development Corporation: Phase 2 - Sts’ailes Business Park Expansion Project on Chehalis IR 5 ($50,000). Pre-construction work for the expansion of the Sts’ailes Business Park including community engagement, archaeological and environmental studies, aquifer review and assessment and light servicing work.

• Tseshahnt First Nation – Commercial and Industrial Land Development ($100,000). Build upon a market assessment and the 2018 Highest Best Use Study on Tseshahnt First Nation owned fee-simple commercial and industrial lands, including completing conceptual site plans and develop implementation strategies.

• Twin Sisters Native Plants Nursery Limited Partnership - Twin Sisters Native Plants Nursery - Detailed Design of Site Servicing and Electrical Upgrades ($100,000). Design servicing for a full site expansion, size and install a backup generator, develop a funding/financing strategy and commission a biomass heating system for the nursery, established in 2012 by Saulteau First Nations and West Moberly First Nations, with the support of Walter Energy Inc.

• Whispering Pines/Clinton Indian Band: Tourism Accommodation Feasibility Study ($100,000). Through studies and designs, confirm location and accommodation type(s) for year-round visitors to the North Thompson valley and Indigenous events.

• Williams Lake Indian Band: WLIB Craft Cannabis Cultivation Facility ($500,000). Toward WLIB and Lake Excavating/Avion Development partnership’s proposed $1.75-million cannabis production facility on IR#6, creating construction and full-time jobs and Indigenous participation in the burgeoning industry.

• Wuikinuxv Economic Development Corporation: Tourism Opportunity Viability in Wuikinuxv Territory ($9,780). This study will conduct a S.W.O.T. like analysis to review strengths, challenges, risks and opportunities in eco- and cultural tourism in the Wuikinuxv Territory to identify opportunities for Nation and for individuals that are consistent with Wuikinuxv values and aspirations.

• Xeni Gwet’in First Nations Government: Community Economic Development Plan ($100,000). Create a community-driven economic development plan to help guide economic development and economic development decisions.

Not-for-profit organizations (44):

• Alberni Farmers’ Institute: Alberni Valley Fire Mitigation and Field Trials ($9,959). Securing communal equipment for producers and conducting field trials of climate-appropriate crops and innovative production methods to reduce fire hazards from vast expanses of unmanaged hay fields.

• Armstrong Spallumcheen Chamber of Commerce - Community Marketing & Promotion Plan Implementation - Phase III ($10,000). Build on work already completed and referring to our approved coordinated marketing plan, implement the last 10 actions in the strategy to support business retention and expansion within the community.
• The Ashcroft HUB Society: The HUB Online Network ($99,980). Increase community connections and engagement through content, and use new media to highlight positive, inspirational and entertaining stories that matter to Gold Country communities.

• Atlin Recreation Centre: Commercial Kitchen Project ($50,000). Build the community’s first community commercial kitchen to provide an efficient, safe, and enjoyable cooking environment for volunteers, caterers, and Atlin community members.

• Barkerville Heritage Trust: Barkerville Year-Round Sustainability Economic Diversification Project - Phase 3 Winter Historical Presentation ($100,000). Phase 3 of developing the park as a year-round destination, focusing on museum exhibits and historical interpretations.

• The Boreal Centre for Sustainability: Moberly Lake Sustainable Food Pilot Project ($48,500). Build upon the centre’s current work on northern food security and agri-business development by establishing two 36 m² vegetable greenhouses on the Saulteau First Nation and a .04-hectare haskap berry operation off-reserve to supply Moberly Lake & area consumers.

• BC Association of Farmers’ Markets: BC Farmers’ Market Incubator Initiative ($99,594). Phase 1 will strengthen and leverage farmers’ markets as agri-food small business incubators in up to 16 communities and five regional districts across the Kootenays and Columbia Basin region.

• Cariboo-Central Interior Poultry Producers Association: Community & Economic Development of Small-Scale Poultry Producers in the Cariboo ($48,200). Promote local poultry and increase opportunities to access fresh eggs by working with community gardens and restaurants/food establishments to standardize special events that promote local poultry.

• Central Westcoast Forest Society: Forest Canopy Outpost ($10,000). Supporting rural year-round tourism development by completing the conceptual designs and business plan for the Forest Canopy Outpost, a gathering place that offers interpretive, retail and conference space where visitors can explore a rainforest from the comforts of a modern treetop architectural edifice.

• Community Futures Central Kootenay: Kootenay Business Transition and Investment Attraction Project ($100,000). Increase regional supports for small business transitions and continue to grow Imagine Kootenay’s investment attraction initiatives and activities through marketing, succession planning resources, and connecting investors to opportunities.

• Community Futures Development Corporation of the Boundary: Boundary Business Advisory Outreach Program (BBA) ($98,272). This project will focus on retention and expansion supports for business owners, including assistance re-establishing themselves after the May 2018 flood, training to prepare for potential future disasters, and connecting businesses with mentor support.

• Community Futures Development Corporation of Greater Trail - Trail Downtown Revitalization Model Study ($10,000). Study successful downtown revitalization projects in other municipalities to determine the best model for Trail, focusing models that provide incentives for façade improvements, build the foundation for implementation discussions with stakeholders.

• Community Futures Development Corporation of the Pacific Northwest: Redesign Rupert - Implementing Our 2030 Community Plan ($99,900). A joint initiative of
Community Futures and the City of Prince Rupert to bring together residents, community organizations, First Nations, and the private sector to create a vision for the future of Prince Rupert through revitalizing the downtown core, developing new waterfront access points, and addressing a community-wide human capital shortage.

- Community Futures Development Corporation of the Shuswap: Secwepemc Lakes Indigenous Tourism Project 2.0 ($99,940). Builds on the Secwepemc Lakes Indigenous Tourism Development Strategy and implementation, focusing on entrepreneurship, youth involvement and employment, events creation, developing an artisan collective, partnership creation and outreach to other Secwepemc communities.

- Community Futures Development Corporation of Sun Country: Online Business Continuity Planning ($76,787). Design and build an online Business Continuity (BCP) Planning Workbook to assist rural business owners create their own customized BCP in case of business disruption caused by natural disasters or other emergency situations.

- Community Futures Development Corporation of Sunshine Coast: Coast Community Investment Co-op ($29,750). Over 18 months, with Rhiza Capital, and the Coast Community Investment Co-op Board, triple memberships sold, work toward becoming financially sustainable, and exceed the $300,000 milestone in impact investments approved to grassroots social ventures on the Sunshine Coast.

- Community Futures Fraser Fort George: Robson Valley Agriculture ($89,194). Design a series of activities to establish Robson Valley as a well-known agricultural region by working with agribusiness to support them to market and export produce.

- Freshwater Fisheries Society of B.C.: The 'Fishing Highway' Access Improvement Initiative ($309,000). Improve access to freshwater fishing destinations, enhance with infrastructure and promote world-class opportunities along the Highway 24 corridor.

- Gabriola Island Chamber of Commerce: Next Steps: Building upon Our Foundation ($100,000). Build on the foundation of the Community Economic Development base with value- and place-based collaborative projects, building capacity and mechanisms to spark ideas and propel the island towards resiliency.

- Gold Country Communities Society: Rural Creates Workshops ($100,000). Develop a series of activities to teach communities how to adapt and develop a creative tourism economy, strengthening capacity of Gold Country rural communities to address the recent economic challenges of the wildfires, floods, and sawmill closures.

- Golden Community Social Services Cooperative: Community Economic Development Strategy, Golden and CSRD Area A ($100,000). Establish a local community economic development strategy and branding for the Town of Golden and CSRD Area A that will inform future economic development activities in the area.

- Kimberley Community Development Society (KCDS): Kootenay Outdoor Recreation Industry Initiative ($100,000). An economic/business development strategy to attract businesses in the outdoor recreation industry to relocate or start-up in the Kootenay Region of British Columbia and to conduct an Outdoor Industry Scan to assess workforce and business support needs and to develop a regional outdoor industry hub.

- Kitimat Valley Education Society: NW Marine Training and Employment Project ($80,000). Research training needs of the marine industrial sector, develop a training plan, and create an employment toolkit to help recruit and retain employees.

- Kitwanga Community Association: Project Development Ambulance Station ($10,000). Determine size, design, and services needed to construct a two-bay emergency building
with crew quarters, office space, and meeting room, liaise with Facilities in Emergency Health Services, Victoria for building guidelines and lease agreement.

- Kootenay Association for Science and Technology - Kootenay Investment Readiness for Tech Start-ups and Angel Investors ($100,000). The Kootenays are experiencing a tech-sector boom, but critical barriers are the availability of capital and investor readiness. Focus on investment readiness training for entrepreneurs and investors and establish key connections to external venture capital through a high-profile investment summit.

- Kootenay Livestock Association: Living Agriculture ($9,970). Research and develop a pilot program to enrich local economy by growing and diversifying local agriculture workforce, awareness, and industry capacity.

- Lasqueti Internet Access Society: Improving Economic Vibrancy: A Lasqueti Island Initiative ($10,000). A needs assessment, visioning, and strategic planning exercises to define the digital needs and aspirations of our rural /remote/ off-the-grid island community to increase capacity to attract young people, business and other innovative economic opportunities and advance readiness for the "Connect the Coast" initiative.

- Lower North Thompson Community Forest Society: Oversize Firewood Recovery and 3 Phase ($100,000). Expand firewood operation by buying an oversize log splitter and conversion to 3-phase power, processing logs larger than 22”, supporting additional employment and utilization, while reducing costs and improving efficiency.

- Merritt & Nicola Valley Destination Marketing Society (MNVDMS): Experience Nicola Valley - Digital Marketing & Social Media Skills Training and Tourism Initiative ($100,000). Support the tourism sector by enabling regional/Indigenous communities to promote themselves using authentic digital content and provide skills and training to build promotional material in a cost effective and ongoing manner.

- Northern Environmental Action Team: Peace Region Food Hub ($100,000). Establish a Food Hub that will facilitate increased production and open up local commercial markets for local producers.

- Oldtown Storytellers’ Society: Youth Works - Essential Skills for Resilience ($99,987). Transition Learning Shop to a vibrant community space and economic generator, build Upper Skeena Learning Society as sustainable independent non-profit, strengthen capacity and opportunities for youth to participate in economy, provide supported employment mentorship.

- Parksville & District Chamber of Commerce: Local Strategic Implementation for Regional Economic Benefit ($100,000). Support development of an economic development function, including hiring an economic development coordinator to coordinate, implement and support priority initiatives in the Economic Development Strategic Plan.

- Scale Collaborative Society: Legacies: Business Succession for Economic Sustainability and Community Benefit ($37,500). Outline the possibility, systems, process, capacity building and financing to support the transition of businesses into the control and benefit of non-profits and local communities.

- Silverton Cowork Society: Lift Cowork: Phase Two - Building Capacity ($100,000). The Lift provides dedicated cowork space for local and seasonal individuals and groups to use for office work, meetings, workshops and trainings. This project will take the Lift from a lean start-up to a fully operational facility.
• Small-Scale Meat Producers Association: Peace River On-Farm Abattoir Design ($10,000). Design a scaleable, economical on-farm slaughter facility that meets legal, health, and safety requirements and supports producers to meet market demand.

• Smithers Gallery Association: Visual Arts Engagement Strategy ($10,000). Conduct a comprehensive community-wide survey of visual arts engagement by the public and artists, a one-day Strategic Planning Session, and a final report of findings.

• Squamish Chamber of Commerce: Business Sector & Workforce Development ($56,025). Online customer service and business training to expand and enhance Squamish Excellence, and Business Sector Promotion to increase awareness and enhance reputation, especially Creative Services and those impacted by the gondola closure.

• Thompson Okanagan Tourism Association: Highway 3 Corridor Tourism Enhancement Project ($100,000). Strategically support communities to enhance tourism economies by identifying priority infrastructure improvements (rest stops/road cycling) and business attraction needs to fill gaps in the visitor experience, as well as creating and executing collaborative marketing campaigns.

• Tofino-Long Beach Chamber of Commerce: Planning for Business Retention and Expansion in Tofino ($10,000). Develop a detailed work plan and budget to support work to examine unique challenges and opportunities facing small businesses in Tofino.

• Tourism Powell River. Hygge Business Case & Feasibility Study ($10,000). A business case and feasibility assessment of the concept of a series of Hygge Tourism-hosted events in the fall/winter months, supporting year-round tourism.

• Tourism Smithers Society: Marketing Initiatives ($26,400). Content Strategy Creation, Website Design, and Signage Design to promote tourism in Smithers and the Bulkley Valley region.

• Upper Columbia Cooperative Council: UCCC Co-operative and Social Venture Incubation Program ($49,920). Lead a collaboration of agencies to implement a 2-year series of social entrepreneurship programs in Kootenay Boundary. Through mentorship, technical instruction, management and governance supports, workforce and business development training will address a current gap in services in the region.

• Upper Skeena Development Centre Society: Senden Agriculture Centre ($10,000). A business plan and feasibility study to transform a historic farmhouse into a youth-supported employment social enterprise.

• WorkLink Employment Society: Port Renfrew Economic Diversification and Branding Project ($99,271). Create tourism opportunities and increased brand awareness in Port Renfrew through a new website, social media channels, publications, installation of a Wi-Fi hotspot near the tourism information booth, improved community signage and work towards local biking trails or a boardwalk.

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