

## B.C. SMART COMMUNITIES PILOT: APPLICATION

### Who can apply?

- The Smart Communities Pilot is open to communities under 30,000 residents across British Columbia. Applicants must represent an identifiable community and must be responsible for services in that community.

The following organizations can participate in the Smart Communities Pilot:

- Municipalities and local or regional governments established by or under provincial statute.
- Indigenous communities including First Nations, Inuit, and Métis communities (such as First Nation band and Tribal Councils, and communities under Self-Government Agreement, Comprehensive Land Claim Agreement or the Métis nation).
- A combination of organizations listed above.

A community or group of communities can only submit one application in this competition. If multiple communities with populations under 30,000 apply as a group, they remain eligible so long as the combined total population does not exceed 30,000.

### Criteria

Pilot communities must align their project with the Ministry's [Smart Communities approach](#). For more background, please see the International Organization for Standardization's (ISO) discussion of Smart Cities [here](#).

Pilot communities will be chosen with a regional balance (as applicable) in mind.

Pilot communities must have the ability to implement with current broadband infrastructure, provide a realizable one-year project, and meet criteria for at least one of the five themes under the *Smart Communities* umbrella:

1. Economic diversity and growth
2. Energy efficiency and climate change mitigation
3. Engaged citizens
4. Efficient transportation and mobility
5. Community resiliency and safety

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## Application and costs

Applicants should begin the process by engaging with residents about the most pressing issues their community faces.

Applicants have until 4:30 PM PST on **Friday, July 13, 2018** to complete and submit their applications via email to [Smart.Communities@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Smart.Communities@gov.bc.ca).

Pilot projects will be cost-shared with 80% of funding coming as a grant from the provincial government and the remaining 20% coming from the municipality or other partners. Project costs (inclusive of administration, technology, tendering) will be funded up to a maximum of \$50,000 (Provincial portion: \$40,000; Municipal portion: \$10,000).

If applicants fall within the jurisdiction of the Northern Development Trust or the Island Coastal Economic Trust, an opportunity exists to have the Trusts cover the cost of the municipal portion.

For more information, see:

- <http://www.islandcoastaltrust.ca/>
- <https://www.northerndevlopment.bc.ca/>

Applicants are encouraged to contact the Ministry with questions about eligibility and other application requirements prior to the deadline.

## Freedom of Information

Applications submitted under the pilot are subject to the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*. The information being collected is for the purpose of administering the pilot and will be used for the purpose of evaluating eligibility under the pilot. Should you have any questions about the collection of this personal information, please contact:

[Smart.Communities@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Smart.Communities@gov.bc.ca)

## Conflict of Interest/Confidentiality

All documents received by the pilot will be treated as confidential. Ministry staff will uphold the standards for conflict of interest and confidentiality required by all B.C. public service employees.

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**1. Date Submitted:**

**2. Name of Community (or Communities):**

**3. Project Name:**

**4. Lead Applicant Name and Contact Information:**

Name:	
Mailing Address:	
Phone Number:	
Email:	

**5. Community Total Population (based on 2016 Census):**

**6. Indigenous Community?**

Yes

No

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7. Please describe your proposed project, including timeline, budget and projected outcomes. (500 words max.)

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- 8. What is the rationale for applying a Smart Communities approach to your project?  
How does your project align with one or more of the five themes? (250 words max.)**

- 9. Do you have any identified partners or companies? If so, please list and describe.  
(100 words max.)**

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## 10. Have you secured additional funding from your local government?

(Note that only 50% can be value-in-kind) Please describe the nature of dollar funding, in-kind funding and any additional funding (i.e. from technology partners, non-profits). Assign a dollar value to all funding types. (100 words max.)

## 11. How have you engaged your community? (250 words max.)

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**12. Please describe your community's readiness and ability to successfully implement your project. (250 words max.)**

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## Signatures

**This application must be signed by the lead community applicant.**

The undersigned:

- Acknowledge that the information and documentation provided is correct and may be shared with Ministry staff and others for the purposes of adjudicating and administering the B.C. Smart Communities Pilot;
- Consent to my name, location, funded activity and award amount to be made publicly available in the case my application is awarded funding; and
- Agree to and accept the conditions governing the Pilot funding, as outlined in the Application Guidelines.

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Name and Title (Please Print)	Signature	Community	Date



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## *B.C. Smart Community Pilot Criteria*

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- B.C. community under 30,000 residents
- Demonstrated ability to implement with current broadband infrastructure

- Realizable one-year project with timeline

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- Project description aligns with Pilot definition of Smart Communities

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- Project description falls under *at least* one of the following five themes:

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1. Economic diversity and growth;
2. Energy efficiency and climate change mitigation;
3. Engaged citizens;
4. Efficient transportation and mobility;
5. Community resiliency and safety.

- Project description demonstrates community need and consultation

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