

BC Rural Dividend**1st Intake – Single Applicant & Partnership Descriptions**

Applicant	Funding	Project Description
Adams Lake	\$71,600	This project involves setting up an existing greenhouse to grow traditional plants and seedlings, training band members to work in the greenhouse, and developing an ongoing business growing traditional medicinal plants and tree seedlings for forestry re-planting.
Ahousaht First Nation	\$96,480	This project is for Phase II of a Holistic Healing Centre operated by the Ahousaht Community and Health Services and would include a Site Master Plan.
Ashcroft Indian Band	\$99,620	Completion of preliminary work (preliminary project plan, field investigations, civil infrastructure pre-design) to support the development of a large scale commercial greenhouse.
Barkerville Historic Town and Park	\$100,000	This project will develop year-round recreational activities, food and accommodation options in Barkerville to expand on existing seasonal tourism.
Boston Bar	\$60,130	This project will provide Organizational Assessment and Corporate Management Training to support tourism development with the Tuckkwiowhum Village, Anderson Creel Campground, and the Bear Gas Bar and Convenience Store.
Bridge River Indian Band	\$58,240	Funding will support the implementation of the Bridge River Indian Band's economic development strategy.
Canim Lake	\$80,000	The project will explore the feasibility of developing an inland closed containment fish farm on Canim Lake Band territory.
Capital Regional District (Salt Spring)	\$72,080	This project will launch a structured program to support local businesses by offering training, mentoring, and access to capital.
Cariboo Regional District	\$32,050	This project is the development and implementation of a community economic development strategy for the south Cariboo sub-region and intends to seek out emerging opportunities for business, and community development.

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Castlegar & District Community Services Society	\$100,000	This project will open a centre offering women and youth opportunities to receive and provide support, connect with others, and build healthy lives. Programming will include a focus on identified gaps in the community including, basic needs, technology and support and learning programs.
City of Cranbrook	\$20,000	This project will develop comprehensive industrial investment/business attraction materials including print and web/social media material.
City of Grand Forks	\$76,850	This project aims to assess the surplus of developable land owned by the city for economic development opportunities. A feasibility study will be conducted for any land designated to a specific project.
City of Port Alberni	\$74,100	This project intends to develop a training program for local front line businesses and staff to be knowledgeable about Port Alberni's culture, attractions, businesses, and events and act as ambassadors of Port Alberni for visitors.
City of Prince Rupert	\$100,000	This project will assist municipal, community, and service providers in collaboratively developing a long-term vision for Prince Rupert and prepare strategies that realize the opportunities and mitigate the challenges that come with large scale development.
City of Quesnel	\$249,900	This project will retrofit an existing downtown building to showcase coming events and festivals to visitors and residents, to include accessible washrooms, and to incorporate an accessibility audit of the downtown.
City of Revelstoke	\$100,000	This project will implement the Revelstoke Technology Strategy. A project coordinator will be hired to develop and promote the technology sector in the local economy.
City of Terrace	\$52,000	This project will complete a plan to address parking deficiencies in the downtown core of Terrace as well as provide a downtown infrastructure analysis, marketing/promotional analysis and a conceptual plan for the main downtown blocks.

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City of Trail	\$79,759	This project involves extending Trail's municipal fibre optic network to provide service to the new MIDAS (Metallurgical Industrial Development Acceleration and Studies) facility and other commercial properties in the area.
City of Williams Lake	\$64,062	Seeding Start-ups is a program to support youth and senior entrepreneurs by providing ongoing mentorship, monitoring, training, networking and regular workshops, as well as peer-mentorship from the seniors to the youth.
Coast Salish Development Corporation	\$420,810	This project includes planning and project management components to support the development of a new 79-room hotel.
Columbia Shuswap Regional District	\$32,000	This project aims to develop a strategic economic development plan to guide economic development for the next three to five years, with clear actionable programs and activities.
Community Connections Society of Southeast BC	\$84,992	This project is for a Small Scale Food Production and Food Service Incubator which will assist entrepreneurs with the start-up of small scale food production and food service businesses by providing a space to pilot ideas before committing to large scale purchases.
District of Chetwynd	\$48,000	This project will initiate an economic development strategy review which will include future development plans and potential economic impacts from industry in Chetwynd.
District of Fort St. James	\$22,500	This project will integrate the recommendations outlined in the District of Fort St. James "Housing Background Report and Housing Strategy" into a strategy and action plan that supports affordable, culturally appropriate housing development in the Fort St. James Area.
District of Invermere	\$159,600	This project is to implement the goals recommended in the Resident Attraction and Retention Strategy by solidifying a collaborative regional approach to economic development, implementing regional economic development initiatives, and refreshing the Columbia Valley's image.

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District of Peachland	\$40,000	This project will develop a transportation study that intends to look at transportation alternatives and options to meet current and long term needs of Peachland.
District of Port Hardy	\$100,000	This project will make improvements to the Seagate Pier, which includes building upgrades, improved parking, an interpretive centre, installation of safety and security features, and improving fresh water supply and wastewater collection.
District of Summerland	\$100,000	This project aims to stimulate and promote economic development through four main components: development of communication with the municipality, a marketing strategy, a long term Economic Development Strategy Action Plan, and research into developing an Agri-Tech sector.
Doig River First Nation	\$85,000	The project will complete a 5 year agriculture operational business plan for 6 sections of agricultural hay/ranch lands owned by the Doig River First Nation. The project will employ community members, and work to maintain sustainability.
Gitanyow Economic Development Corporation on behalf of the Gitanyow Band Council	\$99,300	This project will convert a construction camp into a multi-use industrial/tourism site. The project will involve paving of the current gas card lock, and the installation of fibre optic cable to connect with an internet provider.
Gitxaala Nation	\$63,240	This project is to restore the historic Church Army building in Kitkatla to provide a dedicated space in the community for elders to have gatherings, meetings or casual get-togethers. All construction work will be provided by residents, providing employment for the community.
Gitxsan Development Corporation	\$381,330	The project will outline operational methods, production schedules and logistics to access and deliver pulp and wood waste to new markets.

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Gwa'sala-'Nakwaxda'xw Nation	\$407,700	This project aims to increase the capacity of the First Nation's Lands and Resources Office through strengthening infrastructure and governance processes, increasing human capital, and developing focused economic development projects.
Hope & Area Transition Society	\$46,236	This project will identify and mobilize community resources to establish a network where vulnerable individuals facing mental health/concurrent disorders/homelessness and addictions receive holistic services achieve a positive healthy lifestyle.
Hupacasath First Nation	\$79,100	This project will involve the transformation of a farm into a viable community commercial business opportunity and assist the Hupacasath to enter into the agricultural industry of the Alberni Valley.
Kitsumkalum Fish & Wildlife Department	\$79,220	Funding will provide on-the-job training for two new qualified Environmental Monitor Staff to gather baseline data on major environmental components of the Kitsumkalum watershed, including salmon escapement and fry production.
Kootenay Employment Services Society	\$287,659	This project would establish the Creston & District Economic Action Partnership – a joint economic development strategy for the communities from Yahk to Riondel. The partnerships will focus on four target sectors: primary/value-added forestry; biofuel production; primary/value-added agriculture; and, tourism.
Kwadacha Nation	\$500,000	This project is for the Kwadacha Nation to install, own and operate a bioenergy system to produce both electricity and heat in its remote community at Fort Ware in northeastern BC, using a sustainable supply of local biomass.
Leq'a:mel First Nation	\$72,640	This project involves the establishment of a non-timber forest resources business and associated value-added opportunities.

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Lhtako Dene Nation	\$92,380	This project involves the re-establishment of a gas bar and convenience store to support commercial and non-commercial needs. Rural Dividend funding will mainly cover training costs.
Lower Nicola Indian Band	\$239,568	This project involves the creation of a development plan for Pipeseul Resource Recovery Park (eco-industrial park), with the end goal of moving towards economic self-sufficiency and higher employment rates for band members.
Lower Similkameen Indian Band	\$91,750	The Lower Similkameen Indian Band will develop an economic development strategy and associated implementation plan.
Malahat Nation	\$78,784	Completion of a number of studies/reports included in the Malahat Nation's Comprehensive Development Plan to support future economic development investment decisions.
Nadleh Whut'en First Nation	\$75,000	This project is to complete the Nadleh Whut'en Land Use Plan which is intended to improve the management, protection, and decision making on matters within their territory in regards to cumulative impacts, economic, social and cultural development.
Nicola Valley Community Theatre Society	\$100,000	The goal of this project is to develop complete architectural blueprint plans for a multiplex community theatre in the historic downtown area of Merritt, which the community is positioning as a significant economic development opportunity.
Northern Shuswap Tribal Council Society	\$99,975	The purpose of this project is to provide Early Childhood Education Diploma training over two years for 12 First Nations members of the Canoe Creek/Dog Creek, Williams Lake Indian Band, Canim Lake Indian Band, and Soda Creek Indian Band. The projects will be delivered in partnership with Thompson Rivers University.
N'Quatqua First Nation	\$100,000	The project proposes to create a 5-Year Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy for N'Quatqua First Nation.

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Old Masset	\$100,000	The project is focused on training local youth in the area of cabinet making, furniture making and other woodworking to build capacity and value-added business practices in the community.
Osoyoos Indian Band	\$100,000	The Project will complete conceptual development plans and engineering designs to facilitate the development of lands in the south end of Osoyoos I.R. #3. The primary focus of the conceptual development plans will be the redevelopment of the existing campground, along with the development of undeveloped adjacent land.
Pacheedaht	\$100,000	The project is for improvement and additions to the Pacheedaht "North End" Campground to increase the service and experience offerings for customers.
Regional District of Okanagan-Similkameen	\$32,722	This project will upgrade the community hall by building handicapped accessible facilities and a kitchen in order to help keep all events in the community accessible to all citizens.
Shackan Indian Band	\$100,000	This project is to streamline the corporate structure of the Shackan Development Corporation to support effective partnerships and implementation of a sustainable standard when conducting business with Federal and Provincial governments, regulated private business, and Industry sectors.
Shxwowhamel First Nation	\$71,976	This project involves the creation of a conceptual planning and servicing strategy for the development of vacant land adjacent to Highway 1.
Skidegate Band Council	\$100,000	The project will provide educational programming in the Haida language and qualify students to be classroom teachers in Indigenous languages and culture.
The District of Mackenzie	\$100,000	This project will upgrade the Morfee Lake Trail route, including trail and signage improvements to increase recreational use.

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Tl'etinqox Government	\$100,000	This project is to build a new gas bar/convenience store and cultural centre to provide accessibility to healthy foods, create employment, enable participation in the logging industry and create tourism opportunities.
Tla-o-qui-aht First Nations	\$100,000	The proposed Winchie Creek Hydro project will support the Tla-o-qui-aht First Nation's social and economic initiatives by generating income for the Nation through a 40 year Electricity Purchase Agreement (EPA) with BC Hydro.
Tl'azt'en Nation Education	\$99,197	This project will develop and implement an evening education and recreation program for the Tl'azt'en Nation.
Town of Gibsons	\$25,613	This project is phase 1 of the Gibsons Harbour Economic Development Strategy and includes baseline assessment and opportunity analysis.
Tsay Keh Dene Band	\$90,000	This project involves the re-use of a current building into a trade's center for carpentry training, including dual-accreditation programs for high-school students.
Ts'kw'aylaxw First Nation	\$80,000	The project will assess the feasibility of developing a mining operation on property held by TFN that has been identified to have significant gravel deposits and potentially other minerals.
Village of Alert Bay	\$239,580	This project is phase 1 of the Tides of Change joint economic development strategy between the Village of Alert Bay and 'Namgis First Nations, and requires hiring of an economic development officer to coordinate and support priority projects.
Village of Harrison Hot Springs	\$80,000	The project will enhance a recently completed utility structure and related infrastructure for the Miami River Flood Pumps by using it as a canvass for representational art featuring the local ecology to give it value as a tourism amenity. The area, which is adjacent to a popular recreational trail, will be landscaped with native plantings along with accessible seating and viewing areas.

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Village of Kaslo	\$69,118	This project will assess surplus undeveloped lands, prioritise and optimize their potential value, position them for the investment community and market them to the development community.
Village of Lumby	\$68,329	This project aims to assess underdeveloped private lands in the community. The assessment will include feasibility studies, establishing terms of reference with partners, distributing requests for proposals to local developers, and showcasing the land through marketing initiatives.
Village of Masset	\$448,901	This project will establish a Haida Gwaii Higher Education Society satellite campus to the Village of Masset to strengthen community resiliency and to support the social, cultural, and economic viability on Haida Gwaii.
Village of McBride	\$100,000	This project will construct mountain biking trails for the McBride Peak and Teare Mountain Trail Network and includes a work-related training component.
Village of Midway	\$11,858	This project will involve the creation of a unique brand identity, consistent messaging and marketing tools for the purpose of business and tourism attraction for the Village of Midway.
Village of New Denver	\$21,608	The purpose of this project is to develop a foundational strategic regional economic development strategy, and associated implementation plan. The project will aim to hire a consultant to develop the strategy and a community liaison to provide a local-based community lens to the consultant.
Village of Sayward	\$100,000	The Village of Sayward's Campground and Pond Rehabilitation Project will enhance campsites with electricity and water and private landscaping to increase tourist accommodation in the area.
Yale First Nations	\$99,990	The project will implement a 12 week program that will train 8 members in forestry-related general labour, millwork and firewood processing.

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Yekooche First Nation	\$51,734	This project will offer three transferable introductory leadership, management, and economic development courses through the Nicola Valley Institute of Technology, based in-community, to Yekooche staff to build capacity within the Nation.
ʔaqam Community Enterprises	\$100,000	This project is to expand the ʔaqam Trading Store from 420 square feet to 1,928 square feet, resulting in extended hours of operation, more jobs for community members and more retail space to increase sales, revenue and net profit.