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<b>Applicant</b>	<b>Funding</b>	<b>Project Description</b>
Baker Creek Enhancement Society	\$10,000	The project will review, assess, and recommend community composting opportunities in the Quesnel area. The project will engage with key partners and review past attempts, best management practices, and equipment in various sectors.
Bridge River Indian Band	\$10,000	This project will complete concept designs, site evaluation and an implementation plan for site preservation and visitor enhancement to the Xwisten Archeological Village.
Burns Lake Band	\$10,000	This project will support a business case to evaluate economic development opportunities for the Burns Lake Band, with special attention given to youth, local employment and retention considerations.
Cariboo Chilcotin Coast Tourism Association	\$10,000	This project will support the development and marketing of the Gold Rush Trail, including a strategy for trail development, marketing/management along the trail, and developing a corridor trails management plan.
City of Quesnel	\$10,000	The project will develop a business case for a cultural/interpretive centre showcasing the history and culture of First Nations people in the Quesnel area. The City of Quesnel and Lhtako Dene Nation will collaborate to create a concept for the centre.
Coldwater Development Inc.	\$10,000	This project will complete a Human Resources Strategy for Coldwater Development Inc., which is solely owned by the Coldwater Indian Band.
Community Futures Boundary Development Corporation of Boundary Area	\$10,000	This project will complete preliminary work to support the development of a Grand Forks Community Centre, including community consultation, and recommendations regarding infrastructure, legal/regulatory considerations, and financial feasibility.
Community Futures Development Corporation of Peace Liard	\$10,000	This project will complete a Human Resources Master Plan for the South Peace Arts Council. The plan will include a vision, priorities, timelines, policies/procedures, a marketing plan, a human resources plan and a financial resources plan

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Corporation of the District of Kent	\$10,000	The project will develop a master plan for Centennial Park, which will include design elements and cost estimates. The plan will be shaped by community consultation and ensure future infrastructure is incorporated at appropriate locations.
Cowichan Energy Alternatives Society	\$9,710	This project will complete a business case and plan for increased biofuels use in the City of Duncan. The project will address the lack of access to biofuels as well as the economic, social and environmental potential for the Duncan Biofuel Access Project.
District of Stewart	\$10,000	This project will complete a feasibility assessment to determine if repurposing the vacant Stewart Elementary School building into a multi-purpose facility is feasible within the financial and operational capacity of the District of Stewart.
District of Summerland	\$10,000	This project will fund a Downtown Commercial Inventory and Development Strategy for the District of Summerland to identify opportunities and strategies to generate vibrancy in the downtown area.
District of Vanderhoof	\$10,000	The project will complete the Vanderhoof Airport Planning Document and Land Use Plan to enable the District to determine the area of the airport in greatest need of maintenance.
District of Wells	\$10,000	This project will support the establishment of a District of Wells Housing society through an analysis of past housing initiatives and public consultation.
Fraser Headwaters Alliance	\$10,000	This project will complete a feasibility study for turning the 44km East Twin-Chalco Trail into a destination trail for hikers, bikers, and equestrians. The project will assess needed improvements to the trail as well as access points.
Gibsons Seniors Society	\$10,000	This project will test the feasibility of a lunch program at the Gibsons Seniors Society through the completion of a pilot program and establishing links with potential partners.
Greater Trail Community Skills Centre (a.k.a. Skills Centre)	\$10,000	The project will complete a feasibility study to address the need for an extended hour child care centre for the region.

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Heiltsuk First Nation	\$9,960	This project will create a regional ecotourism network and associated management group between the four First Nations (Heiltsuk, Nuxalk, Oweekeno, Kitasoo), result in a signed Memorandum of Understanding between all partners, and assess existing tourism strategies and possibilities within and between the First Nations.
Kitsumkalum Indian Band	\$10,000	The project will develop a concept paper for a commercial seafood operation including location, type and size of the facility needed. Feedback from the community will be included into the final concept.
Kootenay-Columbia Discovery Center Society	\$10,000	This project will complete pre-design work to support the construction of a new Discovery Centre in the Creston Valley, including a site review, document assembly, survey, engineering, technical and environmental reports.
Laskeek Bay Conservation Society	\$10,000	The project will complete a concept plan for an interpretive centre in Queen Charlotte City, including detailing goals/themes and connecting those to specific exhibits.
Lillooet Agriculture and Food Society	\$10,000	This project will fund a feasibility study to establish a local abattoir for the Lillooet region. The study will determine the economic viability of a licensed abattoir, evaluate the market, and assess the financial feasibility of an abattoir.
Lower North Thompson Community Forest Society	\$9,000	This project will complete a feasibility and business plan for the development of a natural history and interpretive centre in Barriere.
Lumby & District Chamber of Commerce	\$10,000	This project will develop a Community Unique Asset Inventory to recognize existing community assets and identify opportunities for future projects that will encourage visitation and increase the economic viability of the downtown Lumby core.
Moricetown Band	\$10,000	The project will develop a business plan for the upgrade of the Kyahwood Forest Products Plan, including different scenarios to support efficient changes to the plant.
Mowachaht/Muchalaht First Nation	\$10,000	This project will complete a Community Energy Plan (CEP) to identify/rank renewable energy development opportunities, identify improvements for energy efficiency, and outline next steps for sustainable community and economic development.

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Nakusp and Area Youth Society	\$10,000	The project is to conduct research and prepare a business plan for a bio energy aquaponic youth centre.
North Okanagan Cycling Society	\$10,000	This project will hire a consultant to develop a comprehensive strategy to improve the internal organization of the North Okanagan Cycling Society and assist in managing the growth/maintenance of the trail system.
Okanagan Indian Band	\$10,000	The project will develop a plan to build and upgrade the existing irrigation infrastructure for the Okanagan Indian Band in order to create employment and partnership opportunities.
Pemberton & District Chamber of Commerce	\$10,000	The project will create a single, online repository of resources, data and existing materials and information regarding local economic development efforts.
Penticton and Area Cycling Association	\$10,000	This project will complete a feasibility study and master trail plan for the Brent Mountain Area to determine if the area can accommodate increased recreational users.
Port Edward Historical Society	\$10,000	The project will develop the Master Interpretation Plan for the North Pacific Cannery National Historic Site and will direct the interpretation and presentation of the site in order to enhance the personal experience, increase public understanding, and communicate the importance of the cultural heritage of the site.
Quatsino First Nation	\$9,901	The project will develop a Community Energy Plan, including an inventory of renewable energy resources, opportunities to reduce electricity consumption, and training of two community members to install/maintain energy efficiency equipment.
Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako	\$10,000	The project will develop a business case for the small communities located with the Regional District's Electoral Areas that lack adequate broadband connectivity. The project will outline the benefits of increased broadband connectivity; provide solutions to gaps in connectivity; develop a shared vision; identify key stakeholders, and form a Regional Connectivity Advisory Group.

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Regional District of East Kootenay	\$8,500	The project will complete a feasibility study to identify potential public access locations along the Columbia River and Wetlands as well as potential amenities and an annual maintenance and operational costing analysis.
Regional District of Kitimat-Stikine	\$10,000	This project is the first phase of a collaborative effort by the communities of Terrace, Kitimat, Prince Rupert, Smithers and the Regional District of Kitimat-Stikine to attract skilled workers to northwest BC. The project will develop a business case, including identifying target audiences, tools and techniques and project costing.
Regional District of North Okanagan	\$9,786	The project is the first phase in the development of a regional economic development program in the North Okanagan. This phase will facilitate collaborative conversations between partner communities, identify areas of focus and activities, and develop a two year budget, governance model and work plan.
Rossland Historical Museum & Archives Association	\$10,000	This project will build the business case to bring Teck Metals Ltd in as a project partner for Phases II and III of the Rossland Museum Renewal Plan, to support improvements to the museum and increased tourism in the community.
Spo7ez Cultural Centre and Community Society (Squamish Lil'wat Cultural Centre - SLCC)	\$10,000	This project will develop building and site plans for a traditional longhouse that will be used as a carving shed and cultural revitalization projects for the Nation and a venue rental.
Squamish-Lillooet Regional District	\$10,000	The project will create the Nuk?w7a'ntwal? Intergovernmental Relations Committee. The committee will continue to strengthen relationships, improve communication, foster regional collaboration and move reconciliation efforts forward.
Sunshine Coast Resource Centre Society	\$9,924	This project will complete a feasibility study regarding a Cooperative Model for a Community Resource Hub. The study will examine the need for a centrally located Resource Hub, populated by community service organization agencies/businesses that are committed to a common vision and mission.

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Texada Island Chamber of Commerce	\$10,000	This project will update the Texada Island Economic Development and Action Plan by prioritising projects to be implemented based on an analysis of several economic indicators.
The Boreal Centre for Sustainability	\$10,000	This project will investigate the feasibility of re-establishing heritage access trails to connect the community of Moberly Lake to Jackfish Lake, Hudson Hope and to Klin-Se-Za Protected Area in the Upper Carbon/Moberly River watersheds.
The British Columbia Cycling Coalition	\$10,000	The project will explore the opportunities and viability for improving cycling transportation, recreation and tourism in the Mid Vancouver Island Region including both road and off-road cycling.
The Corporation of the Village of Burns Lake	\$10,000	This project will complete community engagement, attraction and retention initiatives, and community training/social services meetings to move forward with the community's economic diversification efforts.
The Regional District of Kootenay Boundary	\$10,000	The project will develop a concept plan for the Hardy Mountain Doukhobor Site. The project will identify sustainable development opportunities through community engagement and collaboration for the revitalization of the site.
Tofino-Long Beach Chamber of Commerce	\$10,000	The project will complete a feasibility study for a small business hub (business innovation, business incubator and coworking space) servicing Tofino and Pacific Rim entrepreneurs, small business owners, freelancers, contractors, visitors and remote offices.
Town of Osoyoos	\$10,000	The project will develop a comprehensive downtown revitalization plan and initiate the process of developing a Business Improvement District. The revitalization plan will include recommendations for street and building improvements, business development, signage and promotional activities.
Village of Clinton	\$10,000	The project will develop a community trail plan which will inventory existing trails, map walking paths, identify areas for potential trail development and will include a trail network plan.

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Village of Gold River	\$10,000	This project will develop an Economic Development Strategy. The project will seek to foster collaborative relationships to identify joint economic development activities with the local Chamber of Commerce and the Mowachaht/Muchalaht First Nations.
Wildsight Elk Valley	\$10,000	This project will complete a business plan and economic impact evaluation for the Fernie Food Yard.
Xaxli'p (Fountain Indian Band)	\$10,000	This project will complete a feasibility and architectural pre-design study for the Xaxli'p First Nation Community Complex Building. The study will include community design workshops, siting studies and develop the building program and conceptual design.
Yunesit'in Government	\$10,000	This project will complete a feasibility study to examine the potential development of a gas station.