

CleanBC for Communities

Resources for community climate action and adaptation

By taking strong climate action, local governments are reducing emissions in their communities, building opportunities for people in the clean economy and preparing for climate impacts like wildfire, floods and heat waves. Community climate action is key to achieving the goals of the CleanBC Roadmap to 2030 and the Climate Preparedness and Adaptation Strategy (CPAS).

CleanBC Roadmap to 2030

The [CleanBC Roadmap to 2030](#) outlines how the Province will meet its 2030 climate targets. Key Roadmap commitments that support communities are to:

- Develop a new local government program to support climate action and resiliency goals with predictable, flexible funding
- Accelerate the shift towards active transportation and public transit and reduce distances travelled by light duty vehicles by 25% by 2030
- Enhance work on land-use planning with tools and data to support local governments while linking to the upcoming Clean Transportation Action Plan
- Require all new buildings to be zero carbon and new space and water heating equipment to be highest efficiency by 2030

The Province is increasing support for local governments and their communities through rebates and programs in areas like organic waste reduction and diversion, land use and transportation planning, low-carbon buildings and the creation of community clean energy and transportation projects.

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CLIMATE PREPAREDNESS AND ADAPTATION STRATEGY

As part of Budget 2022, the Province is investing \$2.1 billion to protect people and communities from climate-related disasters, while supporting efforts to build back better from recent events.

The Climate Preparedness and Adaptation Strategy will be released in 2022. A [draft strategy](#) was released in 2021 and includes actions and pathways to strengthen the resilience of our communities, ecosystems and economy in the face of climate change. To enhance community climate resilience, the Province will partner with Indigenous communities and organizations, municipalities, regional districts and non-governmental organizations to identify opportunities to adapt to climate impacts.

The draft strategy expands on [a number of existing programs and initiatives](#) to help communities prepare for climate change, including:

- The [Community Resiliency Investment Program](#), which assists Indigenous communities and local governments to reduce local wildfire threats
- Investing in 248 flood risk reduction projects across the province, developing a BC Flood Strategy and modernizing emergency management legislation
- Guidance on sea dike design and coastal development to help coastal communities prepare for future sea-level rise
- Requirements that future climate be incorporated into the design of transportation infrastructure, such as roads and bridges

LOCAL GOVERNMENT CLIMATE ACTION PROGRAM

Budget 2022 provides funding for a new local government climate action program, which will provide predictable funding every year for local governments to plan and implement climate action. Over three years, \$76 million will be provided to:

- Plan and implement initiatives that support the CleanBC Roadmap, the Climate Preparedness and Adaptation Strategy and local climate action objectives
- Report on the actions that they are taking to reduce their greenhouse gas emissions and prepare for a changing climate

Visit our [local governments and communities webpage](#) for further program details which will be available in the coming months.

Reducing barriers to your climate action goals

[The BC Community Climate Funding Guide](#) is an all-in-one guide of funding opportunities for climate action projects in your community. Check it out to discover which funds your community might be eligible for and to find programs that can help get your projects moving.



Visit cleanbc.gov.bc.ca for B.C.'s plan.