Community Resiliency Investment 2023 FireSmart Community Funding & Supports

Application Summary

What is the UBCM Community Resiliency Investment (CRI) funding stream?

UBCM Community Resiliency Investment program funding was announced in 2018 and aims to:

- Reduce the risk of wildfires and mitigate their impacts on BC communities, and
- Increase community resilience to wildfire (living with fire) through fostering community adoption of FireSmart principles and activities.

What is the CRD Emergency Program Service applying for through the UBCM 2023 Community Resiliency Investment Grant?

The CRD is applying for funding to support:

- A full time FireSmart position
- A FireSmart Education program throughout the Cariboo Regional District
- The establishment of a Community Wildfire Resiliency Committee (CWRC)
- Indigenous cultural safety training for Emergency Programs staff and attending the Wildfire Resiliency & Training Summit
- Waiving tipping fees for off site vegetative debris disposal for residents living within areas
 in the Community Wildfire Protection Plan 2019 Update (includes areas from fringe of
 100 Mile House to Lac la Hache North in Area G and including unincorporated
 communities in Areas H & L).

This year's application will support our eligibility for the next CRI intake (2024)

What are the timelines?

UBCM takes 90 days (3 months) to advise of the status of our application and if approved, the program will be run through to the end of 2024.

This year's application helps us build capacity to develop the FireSmart program in the CRD while keeping on top of future grant applications and their requirements.