

City of Parksville Receives \$7 Million in Infrastructure Funding Through the Build Communities Strong Fund (BCSF) Community Stream

Parksville, British Columbia, July 30, 2026 — The City of Parksville is receiving \$7 million through the Strategic Priorities Fund. This federally funded program supports infrastructure projects that are beyond the financial capacity of a single local government, under the Build Communities Strong Fund (BCSF) Community stream in BC.

The City of Parksville is using a combination of grant funding from this stream, the Growing Communities Fund, the Community Works Fund, and reserves to improve and upgrade the Parksville Fire Station without impacting tax rates for residents. The renovation project includes additional fire truck bays, a dedicated exercise room and dormitory space for firefighters, and improved equipment storage, all designed to be resilient in a post-disaster situation. This project will make sure firefighters have safe, functional, and reliable spaces to operate from during emergencies, while upgrading a facility that's built to withstand the growing call volume and demand of the community.

For more information on the Parksville Fire Station Renovation, visit www.letstalkparksville.ca/firehall.

On July 30, 2026, the federal and provincial governments along with the Union of BC Municipalities announced a federal investment of more than \$152 million to support 54 community infrastructure and capacity-building projects. The Parksville Fire Station Renovation is one of the 54 recently announced projects.

The BCSF Community stream is a transfer-based program that provides \$2.5 billion per year in funding to communities across Canada. The Province of British Columbia receives over \$326 million annually from this stream, which is administered by the Union of BC Municipalities and distributed to local governments through the Community Works Fund, Strategic Priorities Fund, and Metro Vancouver Regional Fund.

Quotes

"For local governments across British Columbia, the right investment can support housing, foster connection and build strong communities. This project will make a lasting impact and reinforce our commitment to building bold, building strong, and building together."

The Honourable Gregor Robertson, Minister of Housing and Infrastructure and Minister responsible for Pacific Economic Development Canada

"Strong communities depend on strong infrastructure. Parksville area residents and visitors will benefit from improved fire station infrastructure in creating a safer and more resilient community. Thanks to partnerships with the Government of Canada, UBCM and the City of Parksville, this project will help build the infrastructure Parksville needs to deliver reliable services and create a more resilient future."

The Honourable Christine Boyle, B.C. Minister of Housing and Municipal Affairs

*The City of Parksville is located on the traditional territory of the Coast Salish Nations,
home to the Snaw-Naw-As First Nation and the Qualicum First Nation.*

“Thank you to the BCSF Community stream for this important contribution for the City of Parksville and the fire service area that include portions of the Regional District of Nanaimo’s Electoral Areas F, G, and H. A modern, well-equipped fire hall is an essential part of a safe and resilient community. These upgrades will help ensure our firefighters have the facilities they need to respond effectively to emergencies, protect residents and property, and continue providing a high level of service for years to come.”

Doug O’Brien, City of Parksville Mayor

Quick Facts

- British Columbia’s 2026-27 allocation under the Build Communities Strong Community stream is over \$326 million.
- The total federal contribution towards the 54 projects is \$152,313,226.
 - The 29 capital projects are receiving a total of \$145,945,502.
 - The 25 capacity building projects are receiving a total of \$6,367,764.
- The funding provided for these projects comes through the Union of British Columbia Municipalities’ application-based Strategic Priorities Fund.
- See the attached backgrounder for details of the projects.
- The Build Communities Strong Fund Community stream provides predictable, long-term and stable funding to local governments for investment in infrastructure and capacity-building projects. This program is funded by the Government of Canada and administered in British Columbia by the Union of BC Municipalities.

Related Products

Backgrounder: [Building Communities Strong in British Columbia with \\$152 million funding 54 new infrastructure projects](#)

Associated Links

- [Build Communities Strong Fund](#)
- [BCSF Community Stream in British Columbia](#)
- [UBCM’s Strategic Priorities Fund](#)

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