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\$54.9 million in climate action funding for 58 community-based climate action projects

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Background

The Minister of Middle-Class Prosperity and Associate Minister of Finance, the Honourable Mona Fortier, on behalf of the Minister of Environment and Climate Change, the Honourable Jonathan Wilkinson, announced an investment of up to \$54.9 million in funding for 58 community-based climate action, awareness, and engagement projects through the Government of Canada's Climate Action and Awareness Fund (CAAF). The source of funds for CAAF is the Environmental Damages Fund (EDF) in partnership with the Climate Action Fund (CAF).

The CAAF invests in initiatives that raise awareness of climate change and empowers Canadians to take action in support of Canada's climate goals. These projects will increase awareness and engagement and build capacity for action on climate change at the local level. Each community-focused project will engage Canadians to take meaningful climate action and support Canada's climate goals, including net-zero greenhouse gas emissions by 2050.

The following projects have been approved to receive funding:

British Columbia

Creating Community-Based Climate Action on the West Coast with the Bamfield Marine Sciences Centre, Huu-ay-aht First Nations, and Ocean Networks Canada

Organization: Western Canadian Universities Marine Sciences Society

Funding amount: \$160,000

Collaborative Coastal Adaptation Concept Plan Development and Visualization

Organization: Tsleil-Waututh Nation

Funding amount: \$161,300

Strengthening Adoption of Nature-Based Solutions for Climate Adaptation and Shoreline Resilience in British Columbia

Organization: Pacific Salmon Foundation

Funding amount: \$1,904,715

Fighting Fire with Fire: Indigenous Fire Management for a Changing Climate

Organization: Gathering Voices Society

Funding amount: \$750,000

Nawt'sa mawt: Working Together as One

Organization: VIDEA – A BC-based International Development Education Association

Funding amount: \$1,710,271

Scalable Nature-Based Climate Solution (NBCS) Community Toolkit for Climate and Water Security

Organization: University of Victoria

Funding amount: \$1,000,000

Close to Home: Connecting Under-Engaged Fraser Valley Communities to Nature-Based Climate Change Actions

Organization: Fraser Valley Conservancy

Funding amount: \$646,874

Alberta

Grassland Conservation Markets Extension Program

Organization: Western Stockgrowers' Association

Funding amount: \$135,000

Stepping Toward a Greener Tomorrow: Co-designing Active Safe Routes to School with Students

Organization: Sustainable Calgary Society

Funding amount: \$277,482

Catalyzing Community Climate Action

Organization: University of Calgary

Funding amount: \$1,620,000

Reduction of Greenhouse Gas Emissions through Training and Demonstration with Indigenous Friendship Centres

Organization: Southern Alberta Institute of Technology

Funding amount: \$934,500

Energy Futures Lab – Community Resilience

Organization: The Natural Step Canada

Funding amount: \$1,613,854

Métis Nation of Alberta Climate Action Now Initiative

Organization: Métis Nation of Alberta

Funding amount: \$2,370,725

Saskatchewan

An Indigenous Youth-Led Approach to Build Climate Action and Awareness Through Community-Based Food and Energy Security Project Prototypes

Organization: Pheasant Rump Nakota First Nation

Funding amount: \$386,250

Enhancing Climate Literacy: Collective Climate Accountability and Adaptation Project (CCAAP)

Organization: Clearwater River Dënë Nation School

Funding amount: \$500,000

Reaching the Canopy – Empowering Teachers in Northern/Remote Communities to Take Climate Action through Forestry

Organization: Canadian Institute of Forestry

Funding amount: \$265,000

2021/2022 Green Vision

Organization: Friends of the Saskatoon Afforestation Areas Inc.

Funding amount: \$100,080

Saskatchewan Tree for Life Program

Organization: Saskatchewan Association of Watersheds Inc.

Funding amount: \$204,400

Manitoba

Manitoba's Road to Resilience: Community Climate Action for a Net Zero Future

Organization: Green Action Centre Inc.

Funding amount: \$870,260

Building Climate Change Capacity

Organization: Sioux Valley Dakota Nation

Funding amount: \$160,119

Ontario

Igniting the Community to Act on Climate Change

Organization: Bruce Peninsula Biosphere Association

Funding amount: \$195,781

Communicating Climate Solutions: Informing and Engaging Ontario Farmers

Organization: The Organic Council of Ontario

Funding amount: \$118,851

Talk Climate to Me

Organization: MakeWay Charitable Society - Project Neutral

Funding amount: \$463,670

The Lake Superior Climate Action Field School: Training the Next Generation of Climate Leaders

Organization: Lakehead University

Funding amount: \$135,626

Livelihoods, Incomes, and Community Resilience for a Net-Zero Canada

Organization: Energy Mix Productions

Funding amount: \$481,500

Mobilizing Climate Action in St. James Town Community, Toronto

Organization: Rethink Sustainability Initiatives

Funding amount: \$440,380

The CALL: Climate Action Learning and Leadership**Organization:** Toronto Zoo Wildlife Conservancy**Funding amount:** \$380,527**Future Climate Leaders Initiative****Organization:** St. Lawrence River Institute of Environmental Sciences**Funding amount:** \$185,573**Building Collaborative Capacity among Social Inclusion and Climate Change Leaders in Ottawa****Organization:** Ottawa Community Foundation**Funding amount:** \$380,124**Building Capacity to Reduce Community Heat Vulnerability in Brampton, Ontario****Organization:** Credit Valley Conservation Foundation**Funding amount:** \$442,970**Project CASCADES (Creating a Sustainable Canadian Health System in a Climate Crisis)****Organization:** The Governing Council of the University of Toronto**Funding amount:** \$5,999,989**Deep Climate Engagement and Community Activation on Post-Secondary Campuses****Organization:** Ryerson University**Funding amount:** \$1,741,800**Massive Impact: Collaboration and Capacity Building in Colleges and Institutes Coast-to-Coast-to-Coast – Raising Awareness and Empowering Climate Action****Organization:** Colleges and Institutes Canada**Funding amount:** \$5,308,906

Quebec

PMEs sobres en carbone

Organization: Québec Net Positif

Funding amount: \$382,250

L'OutilOThèque

Organization: Ville en vert

Funding amount: \$181,110

The Agents of Change Project

Organization: ICLEI – Local Governments for Sustainability

Funding amount: \$492,790

Mobiliser les communautés suburbaines : pour des banlieues sobres en carbone et résilientes

Organization: Vivre en ville

Funding amount: \$986,757

Pour l'action climatique territoriale

Organization: Regroupement national des conseils régionaux en environnement du Québec

Funding amount: \$3,930,000

Pour des transports à taille humaine!

Organization: Equiterre

Funding amount: \$2,339,057

Amélioration de la gestion des boues de fosses septiques visant la réduction des gaz à effet de serre en Abitibi-Témiscamingue

Organization: Centre Technologique des Résidus Industriels (CTRI)

Funding amount: \$1,299,990

Synergia Transition and Resilience Climate Action Program (STARCAP)

Organization: Canadian Community Economic Development Network –
Réseau canadien de développement économique communautaire

Funding amount: \$1,068,923

ClimAction : des jeunes, des rivières, des communautés

Organization: Groupe d'éducation et d'écosurveillance de l'eau

Funding amount: \$831,540

New Brunswick

Common Ground: Empowering Nature-Based Climate Action in Forest-Dependent Communities of the Maritimes

Organization: Community Forests International

Funding amount: \$381,550

Operationalizing Carbon Sequestration Strategies on the Ground on New Brunswick Private Woodlots

Organization: Fundy Model Forest Inc.

Funding amount: \$251,382

An Innovative Rural Transit Model to Reduce Greenhouse Gas Emissions

Organization: Eastern Charlotte Waterways Inc.

Funding amount: \$425,000

Wetlands Work: Ensuring Wetlands Are a Solution to Climate Adaptations and Resiliency for Atlantic Canada's Coastal and Floodplain Communities

Organization: Ducks Unlimited Canada

Funding amount: \$198,000

Nova Scotia

Climate and Sport Initiative: Community Engagement for Climate Action Toolkit and Pilot Project

Organization: Leading Change for Young Professionals

Funding amount: \$441,640

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Organization: The Confederacy of Mainland Mi'kmaq

Funding amount: \$2,158,308

Prince Edward Island

Community-Based Climate Action on Prince Edward Island

Organization: PEI Watershed Alliance Inc.

Funding amount: \$310,955

Yukon

Toward Carbon Neutrality – A Community Energy and Implementation Plan for Old Crow, Yukon

Organization: Vuntut Gwitchin First Nation

Funding amount: \$197,730

Yukon First Nation Climate Action Fellowship (YFNCAF): A Pathway towards a Youth-Led Yukon First Nations Climate Vision & Action Plan

Organization: Council of Yukon First Nations

Funding amount: \$499,966

Northwest Territories

Addressing Climate Change in the Dehcho Region: Dehcho First Nations (DFN) Five-Year Regional Climate Change Strategy and Community Capacity

Organization: Dehcho First Nations Association

Funding amount: \$287,730

Northern Youth Leadership Science Expeditions

Organization: MakeWay Charitable Society – Northern Youth Leadership

Funding amount: \$150,000

Confronting Climate Change on the “Big River” – Nagwichoonjik – Deh/Des Cho – Sipi

Organization: Gwich'in Tribal Council

Funding amount: \$494,270

Inuvialuit Settlement Region Climate Watch Project

Organization: Inuvialuit Regional Corporation

Funding amount: \$122,418

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Organization: The Climate Reality Project Canada

Funding amount: \$233,312

Nunavut

Mobilizing Inuit Qaujimaqatugangit of Ice Travel to Enhance Community Engagement with and Adaptation to Changing Ice Conditions

Organization: SmartICE Sea Ice Monitoring & Information Inc.

Funding amount: \$1,000,000

SILA for SIKU: Collaborative Community-Driven Climate Change Action, Adaptation and Awareness by and for Northern Indigenous Communities

Organization: The Arctic Eider Society

Funding amount: \$4,246,000

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