

The **FireSmart™ BC Information Sheet** was developed to provide an overview of resources, training and materials available to support communities that have been approved for funding through the <u>Community Resiliency Investment</u> program. <u>FireSmart BC's</u> <u>website</u> is a centralized resource dedicated solely to wildfire prevention through FireSmart activities for community members, local governments, wildfire management agencies, fire departments, land managers, First Nations and private industry throughout BC.

# 2023 Wildfire Resiliency and Training Summit: Partners in Progress

On May 10-14, 2023, join us for the Wildfire Resiliency and Training Summit; an important five-day gathering formally known independently as the FireSmart BC Conference and the WUI Symposium. Our week-long focus on community wildfire resiliency and wildland urban interface training will kick off with a three-day in person conference at the Sheraton Vancouver Wall Centre, where we will listen to captivating speakers who are leaders in wildfire resiliency. We will also share best practices as well as our collective experience and insights through informative workshops, and expert panels. This will be followed by two days of training exercises in North Vancouver for BC's firefighting professionals. Visit FireSmart BC to learn more and to register – Registration opening soon!

## **FireSmart BC Resources**

All **FireSmart BC Resources** are listed under the **Resources** section on the **FireSmart BC** website. You can find resource documents and information filed under the categories listed below. *Please note that new resource materials are added on an ongoing basis.* 

<u>Community Resiliency Investment</u> Resources – this page is dedicated to support Local Governments and First Nations involved in the Community Resiliency Investment (CRI) Program. It includes materials and resources that support CRI. Material includes information related to the Rebate Program, templates, courses, Community Wildfire and Resiliency Committees and more.

<u>FireSmart BC Tool Kit</u> – Here you'll find a vast selection of FireSmart resources, links, videos and written content to help build your own FireSmart web page, campaign or social media posts.

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FireSmart BC & Ember Approved Promotional Items – Promotional items approved by the BC FireSmart Committee are available for purchase through King's Printers. These materials can be purchased using CRI funding.

## **FireSmart BC Education Resources**

Before creating a new resource, please check to see if a templated version already exists.

<u>Ember's Den</u> – Meet Ember, the FireSmart Fox Mascot. Ember's Den is a great resource for kids and includes videos, activity sheets and more. To request Ember, the FireSmart Fox Mascot suit for your next FireSmart event, please click <u>here</u>.

**FireSmart BC Library Program** The FireSmart BC Library Program is the first children's literacy program dedicated to wildfire resiliency. The FireSmart BC Library Program was designed to help children understand what it means to live with wildfires and the role they can play in mitigating the impacts of wildfires on their home and community. The opportunity to participate in this program will be expanded to all libraries in BC in 2023 through **UBCM's CRI funding**.

# **FireSmart BC Training and Workshops**

At FireSmart BC, we strive to create a community of continued learning. We offer a mix of course types – from the FireSmart 101 online course to Local FireSmart Representative workshops throughout British Columbia. Visit the Courses Section to learn more.

Local FireSmart Representative Workshops - The Local FireSmart Representative (LFR) workshop was developed by the Partners in Protection Association to assist community leaders and fire professionals to become familiar with and implement all components of the <u>FireSmart Canada Neighbourhood Recognition Program (FCNRP)</u>. The training provided in this virtual workshop (equips Local FireSmart Representatives with an understanding of current Wildland Urban Interface concepts and wildfire hazard assessments.

# Support for FireSmart BC Coordinators

<u>NEW – The FireSmart BC Community Forum</u> – The FireSmart BC community forum is now live. It is designed to allow FireSmart Coordinators, LFRs and all those directly involved in FireSmart initiatives to ask questions, discuss projects and share resources.

# Contact Information - If you require additional information or support, please reach out to us.

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