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### **Williams Lake Community Forest now accepting Grant applications.**

The Williams Lake Community Forest's 2019 Granting Application window is currently open and accepting applications until 4 pm December 2nd, 2019.

Proponents applying for grants must be living/working in the WLCF "local area" which is defined as the City of Williams Lake, and CRD Electoral Areas D, E, & F. This area extends North to Marguerite, south to Dog Creek and follows the east side of the Fraser River. Along Highway 97 the eligible area extends south to include 141 Mile, and Northeast encompassing Bosk Lake, Crooked Lake, Quesnel Lake and Mitchell Lake. A map is provided on the WLCF website.

Applications can come from registered charities, non-profit and/ or community organizations, like Parent Advisory Councils, 4H clubs and community associations. Funds are targeted towards projects enhancing economic development; recreation & recreational structures including trails, signs & kiosks; culture and the arts projects as they relate to forests and forest values; capital improvements; education & outreach projects for all age groups; and other projects particularly related to forest resource values.

There is a pre-established set of evaluation criteria provided with the application form, and a budget template available as well.

The Williams Lake Community Forest dispersed \$23,500 in 9 grants last year, as well as 6 \$500 bursaries. Bursaries will be distributed again this year – students should contact their school for application details.

Please pick up application forms at 177 Yorston Street, or online at [www.williamslakecommunityforest.com](http://www.williamslakecommunityforest.com).

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