



WILDFIRE RESILIENCY & TRAINING SUMMIT

April 12-16, 2025 | Penticton, B.C.

The Wildfire Resiliency and Training Summit acknowledges with gratitude that the event is taking place on the traditional, ancestral and unceded territory of the Syilx Okanagan Nation.

Participant Funding Application

On April 12–16, more than 700 firefighting professionals, FireSmart experts and Indigenous, municipal and community leaders will gather in Penticton for the 2025 Wildfire Resiliency and Training Summit. There, they will focus on changing the narrative around fire, along with the latest research, technologies, best practices and other information to help regions and communities prepare for the upcoming wildfire season.

The theme for this year’s Summit is “Living with Fire: Building resilience by bringing fire back to the land, strengthening relationships, and investing in collective well-being”. The five-day gathering in Penticton will kick off with two days of training for firefighting professionals, followed by a three-day conference with keynote presentations, expert panels, workshops, training programs and valuable networking opportunities. We hope you can join British Columbia’s firefighters and FireSmart community as they work together to keep British Columbia communities safe, build fire resiliency and reduce the negative impacts of fire.

If you are interested in participating in the Wildfire Resiliency and Training Summit 2025 but need financial assistance, the BC FireSmart Committee may have another option available to you through the **WRTS Participant Funding Program**.

Please see details on the next page.



ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

Applicants must:

- not be eligible for funding through the following programs:
 - [FireSmart Community Funding & Supports Program](#)
 - [2024-2025 ISC FNESS On-Reserve FireSmart Program](#)*
*Community member can still apply even if their Local Government or First Nation is involved in either CRI or ISC funding.
- be involved in activities related to community wildfire resiliency.
- fall into one of these categories:

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Post-Secondary Students ○ First Nations ○ Firefighters ○ Emergency Management Personnel ○ Local Government Staff ○ Non-Profit Organizations 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Wildfire Mitigation Specialists ○ Wildfire Management Personnel ○ WUI specialists (RPFs, RFTs, consultants, contractors and other land specialists)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Vineyards & Agricultural Businesses ○ Landscape Management Agencies ○ Forestry Management Companies 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Construction & Building Companies ○ Utility Companies: Water & Electrical

HOW TO APPLY

If the Applicant meets all the above requirements, please fill out the Funding Application Form via the button below.

FILL OUT APPLICATION FORM HERE

Deadline to apply: **March 14, 2025 at 4:00pm (Pacific Time)**

REVIEW PROCESS

The BC FireSmart Committee will review each application and will notify applicants by March 21, 2025. All applicants will receive written notice of funding decisions via email.

Each eligible applicant will receive:

- One complimentary registration for the conference portion of the Summit (April 14-16).
- One \$1,500 cheque (provided onsite upon check-in).

