

Outreach Opportunities for FireSmart Staff and Volunteers



Community Workshops:

- Conduct workshops to educate residents about <u>FireSmart principles</u>, including removing combustible material around homes.
- Consider adding a lunch or dinner to attract more attendees.



Community Social Events:

- Integrate FireSmart messaging into community events, fairs, and gatherings to reach a diverse audience.
- "Piggyback" on other community events. Ask to set up an information booth at a farmers' market or at a Car Show: Show and Shine.



Information Sessions:

 Host information sessions to discuss the importance of wildfire prevention and mitigation with one of our prebuilt presentations found in the <u>LFR Den</u>.



Demonstration Days:

 Organize hands-on demonstration days to showcase FireSmart techniques, such as proper debris disposal and <u>vegetation management</u>.



Collaborative Clean-Up Events:

 Encourage community members to participate in <u>clean-up events</u> to remove dead vegetation and flammable materials.



FireSmart Ambassadors and Neighbourhood Champions

 Recruit and train community members as FireSmart ambassadors or <u>Neighbourhood</u> Champions to spread awareness and assist with local initiatives.













School Programs:

 Partner with schools to integrate the <u>FireSmart Education Program</u> into the curriculum and involve students in wildfire resiliency.



Community Contests:

Organize contests to encourage residents to implement FireSmart practices, with prizes
for the most effective measures. Contests could be: <u>Colouring contests</u> for kids, Family
FireSmart Action Plan Challenges - encouraging families to develop a personal FireSmart
Action Plan by undertaking a <u>Self-Assessment</u>.



Neighborhood Associations:

 Work with neighborhood associations, strata's, and similar communities to integrate FireSmart guidelines into their community planning and regulations.



Community Bulletin Boards:

• Utilize community bulletin boards to share <u>FireSmart information</u>, updates, and upcoming events.



FireSmart Pamphlets:

• Distribute free, informative <u>pamphlets and brochures</u> door-to-door to ensure every community member has access to FireSmart quidelines.



Local Media Campaigns:

 Run FireSmart awareness campaigns through local newspapers, radio stations, and community newsletters. Click <u>here</u> for a great example of an awareness campaign from Williams Lake, BC.



Regular Updates:

• Provide regular updates on <u>FireSmart</u> initiatives, progress, and new resources through various communication channels.





