



WILDFIRE RESILIENCY AND TRAINING SUMMIT

April 20 - 24, 2024 | Prince George, BC

WRTS Participant Funding Application

The Wildfire Resiliency and Training Summit is an important five-day gathering formally known independently as the FireSmart BC Conference and the WUI Symposium. This year's Summit will take place in Prince George from April 20 to April 24, 2024, kicking off with two days of training for firefighting professionals, followed by three days of conference with keynote addresses, expert panels, workshops, and valuable networking opportunities.

The theme for this year's Summit is Recover, Rebuild, Prepare and is expected to attract more than 700 members of BC's FireSmart community, including key staff from First Nations, local governments, the Province of BC, fire departments province-wide, as well as local FireSmart representatives, wildfire mitigation specialists, firefighters, researchers, emergency managers, wildfire scientists, and industry partners.

If you are interested in participating in the Wildfire Resiliency and Training Summit 2024 but need financial assistance, the BC FireSmart Committee may have another option available to you through the **WRTS Participant Funding Program**.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

Applicants must:

- not be eligible for funding through the following programs:
 - [2024 FireSmart Community Funding & Supports Program](#)
 - [2023-2024 ISC FNESS On-Reserve FireSmart Program](#)
- 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 ◦ City Councillors/Chief Administrative Officers/Local Government Staff 	<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 and Agricultural Businesses ◦ Landscape Management Agencies ◦ Forestry Management Companies 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Construction & Building Companies ◦ Utility Companies: Water & Electrical ◦ Rural or Urban Planners/Managers

HOW TO APPLY

If the applicant meets all the above requirements, they can proceed with the following steps:

- **STEP 1:** Fill out the [Participation Funding Application Form](#) (page 3).
- **STEP 2:** Once completed, submit the application form to wrtts@pacegroup.com.
- Deadline to apply: **March 15, 2024 at 4:00pm (Pacific Time)**

REVIEW PROCESS

The BC FireSmart Committee will review each application and will notify applicants by March 29, 2024. All applicants will receive written notice of funding decisions via email.

Each eligible applicant will receive:

- One complimentary registration for the Summit
- One \$1,500 cheque (provided onsite upon check-in)



Participant Funding Application Form

- First Name:
- Last Name:
- Job Title:
- Organization/Community:
- Email:

1. Why do you want to attend the 2024 Wildfire Resiliency and Training Summit?

2. How could attending the Summit benefit your work or your community?

3. What portion of the Summit program would you like to attend?

Training* (April 20-21)

Conference (April 22-24)

Combined - Training* & Conference (April 20-24)

**More information about the training courses and prerequisites can be found [here](#). Participants must meet all prerequisites in order to take any training courses.*

