

BACKGROUNDER

NON-PROFIT SMART GRANTS NOVEMBER 2025

The following projects have been approved for funding under **Stream 2: Electric Vehicle and Charging Station Projects** of the Non-profit SMART Grants Program, which helps Basin non-profits and First Nations increase energy efficiency, generate renewable energy, adapt to the impacts of climate change, and reduce greenhouse gas emissions.

Community	Organization	Description*	Amount
Beaver Valley	Columbia Senior Wellness Society	Purchase an EV to transport seniors in the Beaver Valley.	\$68,120
Castlegar	Castlegar Community Services Society	Purchase an EV for the West Kootenay Volunteer Driver Program and Community Connector Initiative for seniors.	\$44,890
Castlegar	Kootenay Family Place	Purchase a PHEV for program and service delivery for children, youth and families.	\$42,900
East Shore Kootenay Lake	South Kootenay Lake Community Services Society	Purchase a hybrid van for the Youth Network and East Shore Elder Care programs.	\$43,855
Kimberley	Summit Community Services Society	Purchase an EV and charging station to transport seniors in the Summit Healthy Aging programs.	\$57,370
Nelson	Nelson CARES Society	Replace a gas-powered fleet vehicle with a PHEV to help connect people with diverse abilities to community activities.	\$47,065
Nelson	Nelson Community Services Society	Purchase an EV and install a charging station to enhance transportation for vulnerable clients.	\$51,735
Revelstoke	Community Connections Revelstoke Society	Purchase an EV to support transportation needs for children.	\$40,295
Slocan Valley	W.E. Graham Community Services Society	Purchase a hybrid van to deliver essential services to seniors and vulnerable residents in the Slocan Valley.	\$48,985
Yaḍit ?a⋅knuq l i'it	Yaqit ʔa·knuqŧi'it First Nation (formerly Tobacco Plains Indian Band)	Purchase an EV and charging station for housing and infrastructure operations.	\$73,240
?akisḋnuk First Nation	?akisqnuk First Nation	Replace a gas-powered vehicle with an EV truck for community operations.	\$61,890
TOTAL FUNDING			\$580,345

^{*}In descriptions, EV is an Electric Vehicle and PHEV is a Plug-in Hybrid Electric Vehicle.