

# RESILIENT STREETS

## LOCAL RESOURCES VICTORIA



### Grants

**Emergency Preparedness  
& Community Safety**

**Placemaking, Public Art,  
Gardens & More**



### Great Resources



## GRANTS

### Resilient Streets Micro-grants

To help you get rolling on your street or in your building, Building Resilient Neighbourhoods is offering a limited number of "micro-grants" to residents in Greater Victoria. There are 2 types of grants: 1) Pre-Planning Neighbour Gathering grants of up to \$40 for residents who want to gather and engage their neighbours in planning a Resilient Streets project on their street or in their building, and 2) Resilient Streets Project grants of up to \$200 for neighbours to undertake a project together on their street or in their building.

**LINK:** [www.resilientneighbourhoods.ca/resilient\\_streets](http://www.resilientneighbourhoods.ca/resilient_streets)

### City of Victoria Community Garden micro-grants

Community Garden City micro-grants, up to a maximum of \$500 are awarded to cover supplies needed for food production in community gardens.

**LINK:** [www.victoria.ca/EN/main/residents/parks/community-gardens.html](http://www.victoria.ca/EN/main/residents/parks/community-gardens.html)

### City of Victoria – My Great Neighbourhood Grant Program

The My Great Neighbourhood Grant program was created to help residents of Victoria animate public space, develop and enhance a sense of community and leave a positive legacy in our neighbourhoods. The City will fund up to \$5,000 to match the equivalent contribution the neighbourhood makes, which can be a combination of volunteer labour, donated services, donated materials and other funds raised.

**LINK:** [www.victoria.ca/EN/main/residents/neighbourhoods/my-great-neighbourhood-grant-program.html](http://www.victoria.ca/EN/main/residents/neighbourhoods/my-great-neighbourhood-grant-program.html)

### Victoria Foundation – Neighbourhood Small Grants

*(Hillside Quadra Neighbourhood only)*

Through the Neighbourhood Small Grants program, small grants of up to \$500 are available for residents to develop projects that meet the needs of the community.

**LINK:** [www.victoriafoundation.bc.ca/grants-funding/grants/nsg](http://www.victoriafoundation.bc.ca/grants-funding/grants/nsg)



## SUPPORTS

### EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS & COMMUNITY SAFETY

### Victoria Ready – Learn How To Be "Emergency Prepared"

Free Victoria Ready workshops educate individuals and families on how to prepare for emergencies such as a power outage, winter storm, earthquake or tsunami.

**LINK:** [www.victoria.ca/EN/main/residents/public-safety/emergency-management.html](http://www.victoria.ca/EN/main/residents/public-safety/emergency-management.html)

### Victoria Police Department – Block Watch

The Victoria Police Department (VicPD) Block Watch program is a community-based approach to safe neighbourhoods which brings neighbours together to help each other enhance safety and crime prevention. VicPD looks forward to working with all residents in Victoria and Esquimalt in an effort to maintain safe and healthy communities in the neighbourhoods where you live, work and play.

**LINK:** [www.vicpd.ca/block-watch](http://www.vicpd.ca/block-watch)





## TOOLS

### PLACEMAKING, PUBLIC ART, GARDENS & MORE

#### Placemaking Network

The Greater Victoria Placemaking Network is a volunteer-led network of people interested in supporting placemaking across the region. They have some great resources to share, including:

**LINK:** [www.victoriaplacemaking.ca](http://www.victoriaplacemaking.ca)

#### Living Streets Guide

The Living Streets Guide provides instructions on how to think up, plan, organize and run an outdoor neighbourhood event.

**LINK:** [www.victoriaplacemaking.ca/livingstreets/living-streets-guide](http://www.victoriaplacemaking.ca/livingstreets/living-streets-guide)

#### Little Library Boxes

Little Library Boxes (also called Little Free Libraries, book exchanges or book boxes) are popping up all over the world – and here in Greater Victoria, BC! They come in many shapes and sizes ranging from a small box with 1 shelf, to an entire converted phone booth. The Little Free Libraries Map shows you where you can find these to get inspired to build your own:

**LINK:** [www.victoriaplacemaking.ca/projects/little-free-libraries](http://www.victoriaplacemaking.ca/projects/little-free-libraries)

#### Boulevard Gardening

Boulevard Gardens add vibrancy to streets and improve local food security. The City of Victoria provides a Fact Sheet and Guidelines.

**LINK:** [www.victoria.ca/EN/main/residents/parks/boulevards-program/Boulevard-gardening.html](http://www.victoria.ca/EN/main/residents/parks/boulevards-program/Boulevard-gardening.html)

#### Rethink Urban

Rethink Urban is a local group that brings the dual perspectives of crime prevention and creative placemaking to urban places and spaces. They are available to provide advice and expertise if you need help getting a community safety/placemaking project off the ground.

**LINK:** [www.rethinkurban.com](http://www.rethinkurban.com)

#### Fernwood NRG – Pole Painting Kit

Fernwood NRG provides free how-to sheets and instructional videos and more to help inspire and guide neighbourhood pole painting projects.

**LINK:** [www.fernwoodnrg.ca/events-directory/fernwood-pole-painting-project](http://www.fernwoodnrg.ca/events-directory/fernwood-pole-painting-project)



### BUILDING RESILIENT NEIGHBOURHOODS

## OTHER GREAT RESOURCES:



#### City of Victoria – Vic Map

VicMap enables citizens to search local addresses, intersections, parcel identification information, businesses, parks or neighbourhoods. Users can add text, lines and shapes to maps to print or share with others, or add their own data to create custom maps. You can also access information helpful to emergency preparedness such as areas of seismic vulnerability.

**LINK:** [www.victoria.ca/EN/main/online-services/maps.html](http://www.victoria.ca/EN/main/online-services/maps.html)

#### City of Victoria Great Neighbourhoods Team

Created to support great neighbourhoods, this City resource is available to make it easier to navigate City Hall and to help advance community projects that may need City support or permissions. You can contact your neighbourhood liaison and they can help connect you with the information you are looking for.

**LINK:** [www.victoria.ca/EN/main/residents/neighbourhoods.html](http://www.victoria.ca/EN/main/residents/neighbourhoods.html)

#### Meeting Space for Neighbours

Many community associations or centres will make meeting space available for free to small groups of neighbours to gather and plan Resilient Streets activities.

Contact your local community centre to find out if this is a possibility in your neighbourhood.

All links listed in this publication are live in the digital version, found on our website at:

[www.resilientneighbourhoods.ca](http://www.resilientneighbourhoods.ca)