

# Your Invitation for the 2014 Climate & Energy Action Awards

Application Deadline Monday, July 21 2014



**Community Energy Association** | Connecting communities, energy and sustainability

## The Awards

The Community Energy Association (CEA), BC Ministry of Community, Sport and Cultural Development, Ministry of Environment – Climate Action Secretariat, BC Hydro, FortisBC and Union of BC Municipalities are pleased to invite all local governments in British Columbia to participate in the **2014 Climate & Energy Action Awards**.

The awards are offered annually to a municipality or regional district implementing a project or program best integrating energy /climate planning into community or corporate planning and development processes. Awards are offered in three categories:

- 1. Community Planning and Development**
- 2. Corporate Operations**
- 3. Public Sector Organization & Local Government Partnerships**

## Recognition

All applications are recognized in CEA publications and on CEA's website. A winner is selected for each category. Honourable mentions are selected at the discretion of the independent judging committee.

Recipients receive:

- a trophy and/or plaque,
- a copy of the news release,
- recognition at the Union of BC Municipalities Convention,
- a presentation to Council or Board, and
- one year free CEA membership.

## Eligibility

All BC municipalities and regional districts are encouraged to apply. Winners come from all sizes of communities — leadership shown and challenges overcome are key judging criteria.

## Criteria

Judging criteria for each category include:

- **Energy & climate action**
- **Demonstrated community leadership**
- **Measured impact and cost effectiveness**
- **Best practices and innovation**
- **Collaboration with BC public sector organizations**

## Submission

Submission must represent an action or a commitment to act.

Please download the **electronic application and further instructions** from the Community Energy Association website at [www.communityenergy.bc.ca](http://www.communityenergy.bc.ca) (Showcase and Awards category).

### Deadline:

**Please submit electronic applications.**

Email applications to:

[awards@communityenergy.bc.ca](mailto:awards@communityenergy.bc.ca)

by **5:00 pm, Monday, July 21, 2014.**

Hard copies will not be accepted.



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## 2013 Climate & Energy Action Award Winners

The **2013 Climate & Energy Action Awards** were presented by the Honourable Steve Thomson, Minister of Forests, Lands and Natural Resource Operations, at the Union of BC Municipalities Convention in Vancouver.

**North Cowichan** won in the **Community Planning and Development** category for the exemplary *Climate Action and Energy Plan* and for the property tax-funded Climate Action Reserve Fund.

**Surrey** won in the **Corporate Operations** category for development of the city-owned City Centre district energy utility.

**Campbell River** won the **Public Sector Collaboration** award for their partnership with School District 72 on solar hot water and electric vehicle charging station installations, wind energy assessments and other energy efficiency measures.

**Honourable Mentions** were awarded to:

- **City of Colwood**
- **Capital Regional District, Camosun College, University of Victoria, Royal Roads University & BC Hydro Power Smart**
- **Village of Telkwa**



Left to Right: Mayor Darrell Mussatto, City of North Vancouver & CEA Chair; Councillor Bruce Hayne, City of Surrey; Councillor Rimas Zitkauskas, Village of Telkwa; Jim Nicholson Director Customer Care, BC Hydro; Michele Babchuk Chair, School District 72; Councillor Larry Samson, City of Campbell River; Nils Jensen, Chair Capital Regional District Environmental Sustainability Committee; Mayor Carol Hamilton & Councillor Judith Cullington, City of Colwood; Councillor Ruth Hartmann & Peter Nilsen Assistant Municipal Engineer, District of North Cowichan; Nancy Wilkin, Sustainability Manager, Royal Roads University; Mayor Jon Lefebure & Councillor Kate Marsh, District of North Cowichan; Honourable Steve Thomson, Minister of Forests, Lands and Natural Resource Operations; Dave Devana CAO, District of North Cowichan.

## Past Award Winners

All local governments engaging in energy and greenhouse gas emissions planning and action are winners; cost-savings, energy security and other benefits make sound energy planning a win-win strategy.

Local Government	Population	Description	Year
City of Surrey	504,700	Transformation of Surrey City Centre	2012 - Community
Village of Nakusp	1,600	Multi-Faceted Approach to Reducing GHG Emissions	2012 - Operations
City of North Vancouver & SD44	51,000	Joint Geothermal/Waste Heat Project	2012 - Collaboration
City of Vancouver	667,000	Greenest City Action Plan	2011 - Community
Dawson Creek	12,000	Internal Carbon Fund	2011 - Operations
City of Colwood	17,000	Solar Colwood Initiative	2011 - Collaboration
City of Prince George	76,000	Implementation of GHG Management Plan	2010 Award - Community
District of Maple Ridge	76,000	Energy Efficiency Upgrades	2010 Award - Operations
Town of Gibsons	4,000	Neighbourhood Plan and District Energy Utility	2009 Award – Community
District of Lake Country	11,000	Lake Country Hydroelectric Generating Station	2009 Award – Operations