

6th BC Rural Communities Summit
"Transforming Rural Economies: Change and Innovation"
A joint conference of the
BC Rural Network, District of Port Hardy and Rural Team BC
March 16-18, 2010
Port Hardy, BC

Conference partners are pleased to announce that a limited number of travel bursaries are available to the 2010 BC Rural Communities Summit.

We are committed to bringing a broad and diverse representation of rural BC to the conference. These travel bursaries are intended to ensure that rural residents and representatives of rural organizations **who would otherwise not be able to attend** will have an opportunity to come to the conference, have their voices heard, and participate in discussions.

Travel Bursaries:

BC Rural Communities Summit will award a **limited number** of travel bursaries, to cover all or a portion of the following costs:

- Transportation
- Accommodation
- Conference registration

Eligibility:

Travel bursaries are available on a **pre-approved** and **first come, first served basis**, under the following conditions:

- you must be pre-approved to receive a travel bursary
- you make and pay for your own travel arrangements; we will reimburse
- you must save & submit your receipts for reimbursement
- government representatives pay their own way
- we will subsidize for the least expensive option
- within 2 hours/200 km - no subsidy for travel (may still be eligible for accommodation & registration)
- 200 km - 500 km - mileage per km
- beyond 500 km - airfare or mileage, whichever is the least expensive

Application Process:

Those applying for a bursary must demonstrate need e.g. funding barriers preventing attendance. Complete the pre-approval form, downloadable off the summit website, and include a brief overview describing your eligibility.

Bursary Conditions:

All awardees will be asked to:

- Provide a one page post-conference report describing what you learned and how you will utilize the information and resources obtained at the conference to serve your organization and/or your community.
- Complete the conference evaluation to help the BC Rural Summit continue to improve, and plan for future Summits.

Application Deadline: Feb 26, 2010

Send application by mail, fax, or email, to:

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