

## Local Government Working Group Benefits

## A program of the Stewardship Centre for BC (SCBC)

**Working Group Purpose:** to enhance the capacity of local government staff and others who work with landowners and stakeholders to apply Green Shores<sup>®</sup> in shoreline planning and protection work. This work is especially important in light of climate change adaptation and the need to integrate Green Shores with other key planning and community engagement processes.

## **Green Shores Working Group benefits include:**

- One (free¹) Green Shores Level 1² one day workshop (or equivalent virtual workshop w/ COVID protocols in place) per year
- Priority for Green Shores Level 2 (professional) regional workshops (additional fees apply)
- Benefits of peer-to-peer learning within a network of Green Shores professionals and projects
- Monthly 1 hour meetings via virtual platform to receive additional resources to minimize "reinventing the wheel" and maximize staff capacity
- Two 2 free webinars per year on Green Shores research or other technical information
- Access to additional funding opportunities for support to Working Group communities.<sup>3</sup>
- On-line resources library is offered exclusively to WG members
- Free Green Shores for Homes certification for eligible projects in your community
- Technical Assistance for planning Green Shores for Shoreline Development projects<sup>4</sup> like parks
- A face to face workshop in 2021 for local and regional government staff to learn about latest science-based BMPs, plan Green Shores implementation, share resources and network
- Fees for participation are leveraged with generous support by the Pacific Salmon and BC Real Estate Foundations. Working Group members pay approximately 47% of program costs, the remainder is covered through grants.

Cost: sliding scale (\$2,500 - \$5,000). Commitment: we ask for a minimum two-year commitment to the Working Group

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Free for up to 20 participants. Cost for workshop is \$205 + GST per participant if not offered as part of the Working Group benefits

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Co-delivered with University of Victoria

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Additional partners/resources include; REF BC/PSF GSH Incentives project; Natural Resources Canada funded projects like the GSH 2023 and capacity building projects; Policy Development with FLNRORD; Shoreline Natural Assets research; BCIT Green Shores training development; Natural Resources Canada Coastal Management Working Group; Cold Regions Living Shoreline Community of Practice; and others as funding is available.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Additional fees for Green Shores for Shoreline Development enrollment and rating verification apply