



# Greenspace for All - Equity in Climate Adaptation and Resilience

Case Studies from The East Coast of Vancouver Island (ECVI)

## Importance

Greenspaces, such as parks, conservation areas, and wetlands, provide ecosystem services that mitigate climate risks, enhance health and social cohesion, and offer economic benefits. Incorporating greenspaces into community infrastructure can help cities provide equitable delivery of services and achieve their climate adaptation and biodiversity goals.

## Objectives



**Understand the benefits, barriers, and enablers of equitable access to greenspace; identify challenges and opportunities to improve access within ECVI communities.**

**Execute pilot projects that enhance access to the benefits of greenspace in vulnerable communities.**



**Appraise project success through an evaluation that includes performance metrics**

**Share insights gained via community outreach and knowledge mobilization.**



## Outcomes

- Enhanced understanding and awareness of the benefits of equitable access to greenspace.
- Increased availability of methods to support equity-informed approaches to policy and action for greenspace.
- Strengthened capacity of local governments to apply equity-informed approaches to policy, planning and action.
- Improved access to and use of greenspaces for diverse groups on ECVI.

