



**VILLAGE OF KEREMEOS
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VILLAGE THANKS FORTISBC FOR DONATIONS TOWARD WALKING TRAIL PROJECT

The Village of Keremeos recently nominated the Similkameen Trails Society for a FortisBC Community Giving Grant to assist in the cost of having solar powered LED bollards installed along the village walking trail.

During the 2015 Union of British Columbia Municipalities Conference, FortisBC announced that the Similkameen Trails Society was a successful recipient of a \$15,000 grant for this project.

The Similkameen Trails Society, Council representatives and Village staff have determined the most appropriate location for the placement of sixteen Solar LED bollard lights along the trail. Installation of these bollards will be undertaken in the near future.

The Village wishes to thank FortisBC for their tremendous contribution to the enhancement of our walking trail. This investment will allow our residents to safely enjoy usage of the trail during all hours and will increase the aesthetic appeal of the trails area, making for a more enjoyable experience for our residents.

The Village is both appreciative and honored to be one of only four communities throughout the province this year to receive a FortisBC Community Giving Grant. Community investments of this magnitude clearly acknowledge the significance which companies such as FortisBC place on small and rural communities in our province and genuinely demonstrates a commitment to maintaining and enhancing positive relationships with the communities they serve.

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For further information, please contact Cathy Cowan, Chief Administrative Officer at (250) 499-2711 or cao@keremeos.ca.



**Village of Keremeos Delegation at the 2015 Union of British Columbia Municipalities Conference
Left to right, Councillor Sherri Philpott-Adhikary, Similkameen Trails Society Treasurer Eileen
Oliver-Bauer and Mayor Manfred Bauer**