



CALL FOR PROPOSALS SKILLS LEGACY COMPETITION

Promoting Skilled Trades and Technologies in Schools and Community Organizations

INTRODUCTION

Skills Canada – Nova Scotia is excited to announce a Skills Legacy Competition in celebration of our 25th Anniversary. This competition is aimed at supporting schools and community groups in Nova Scotia who are committed to promoting skilled trades and technologies, especially among youth from underrepresented communities.

We have allocated funding for five grants, each worth up to \$5,000, to be awarded to non-profit organizations, including secondary schools and youth-serving non-profit organizations. This competition is made possible thanks to funding from the Nova Scotia Apprenticeship Agency, and the Royal Bank of Canada Foundation.

PURPOSE OF THE COMPETITION

The Skills Legacy Competition seeks innovative proposals from schools and non-profit organizations that will contribute to the advancement of skilled trades and technologies within Nova Scotia. We are particularly interested in projects that focus on serving underrepresented youth in these fields.

ELIGIBILITY

1. SECONDARY SCHOOLS

- Secondary schools located in Nova Scotia are eligible to apply.
- The proposal should clearly outline how the funding will be utilized to promote skilled trades and technologies within the school.
- The proposal should also demonstrate a commitment to increasing participation and access for underrepresented youth in the trades and technologies.

2. YOUTH-SERVING NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS

- Non-profit organizations in Nova Scotia serving youth are eligible to apply.
- The proposal should describe how the funding will be used to support projects or initiatives that promote skilled trades and technologies among youth.
- The proposal should emphasize how these efforts will specifically benefit underrepresented youth in the trades and technologies careers.

APPLICATION GUIDELINES

SUBMISSION DEADLINE: Proposals must be submitted by **December 15, 2023**.

GRANT AMOUNT

Each selected organization will receive materials, equipment, and/or services of up to \$5,000.

APPLICATION PROCESS

1. Interested organizations must submit their proposals using the provided application form (attached).
2. Proposals should be sent via email to info@skillsns.ca

PURCHASES AND RESOURCE LIST

- In your proposal, provide a comprehensive list of the specific materials, equipment, or services that you intend to acquire with the grant funds. This list should be detailed and itemized, specifying the quantity, cost, and purpose of each item.
- If selected, all materials, equipment and services must be purchased by February 28, 2024.
- It is important to note that Skills Canada - Nova Scotia will be responsible for purchasing the approved resources and/or services on behalf of the selected organizations based on the provided list.
- The proposal should emphasize how these resources and services will contribute to the promotion of skilled trades and technologies and serve underrepresented youth in these fields.

EVALUATION CRITERIA

All proposals will be evaluated based on the following criteria:

- Demonstrated impact on promoting skilled trades and technologies.
- A clear plan for engaging and benefiting underrepresented youth.
- Feasibility and sustainability of the proposed project.

SELECTION PROCESS

Skills Canada – Nova Scotia will convene a selection committee to review and evaluate all proposals. The committee will assess each proposal based on the evaluation criteria outlined above and select the winning organizations.

GRANT DISBURSEMENT

Upon selection, Skills Canada – Nova Scotia will contact the selected organizations to begin coordinating the use of the grant funds according to the grant proposal. All purchases using the grant funds must be made by February 2024.

REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

Selected organizations will be required to submit a progress report in April 2024. Reports should detail the use of funds, project achievements, and the impact on underrepresented youth in the trades and technologies.

CONTACT INFORMATION

For questions or additional information, please contact Benjamin Bestvater at benjaminbestvater@skillsns.ca



SKILLS LEGACY COMPETITION - PROPOSAL FORM

CONTACT INFORMATION

Organization/School Name:	
Contact Person Name:	
Contact Person Title/Position:	
Contact Person Email Address:	
Mailing Address:	

ORGANIZATION INFORMATION

Briefly describe your organization/school:

PROJECT DETAILS

Project Title: _____

Describe the specific project you are proposing. Include details about the goals, objectives, and expected outcomes:

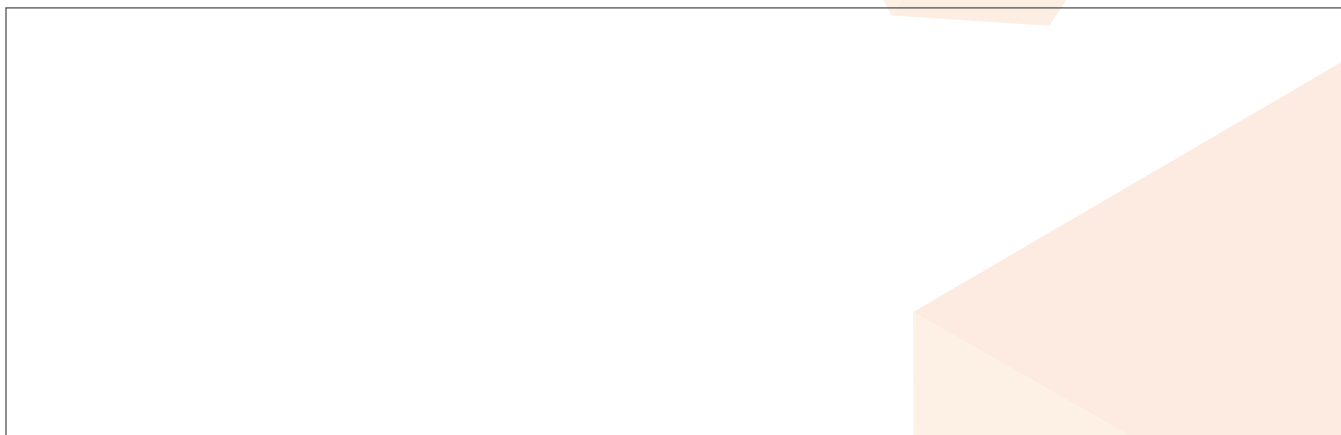
How will the project provide youth with opportunities to explore skilled trades and technologies?



Will this project benefit underrepresented/BIPOC youth in the trades and technologies? Please provide specific examples or strategies:

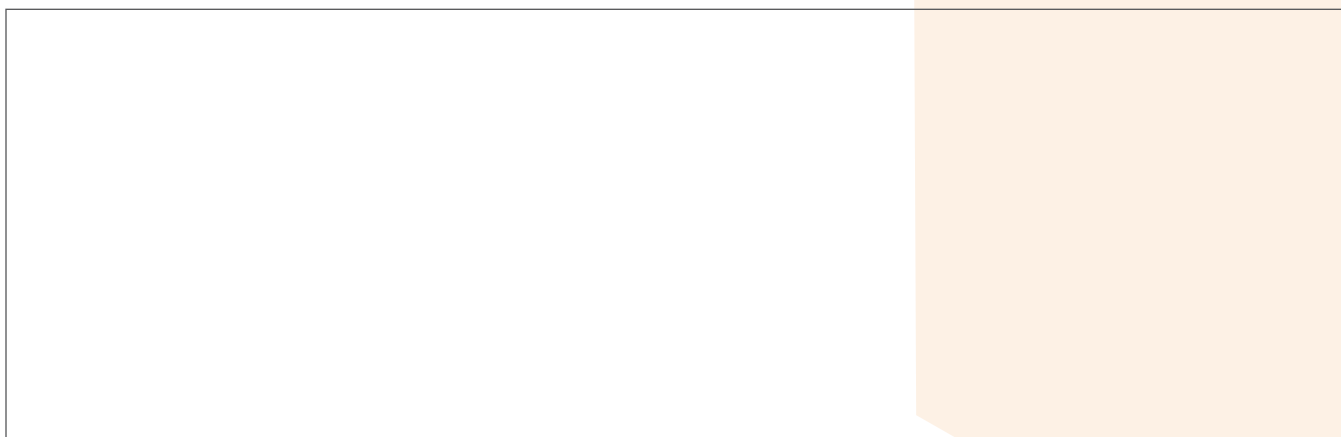


Provide a list of the resources, equipment, or services you intend to acquire with the grant funds. Include itemized details such as quantity, cost, and purpose for each item:



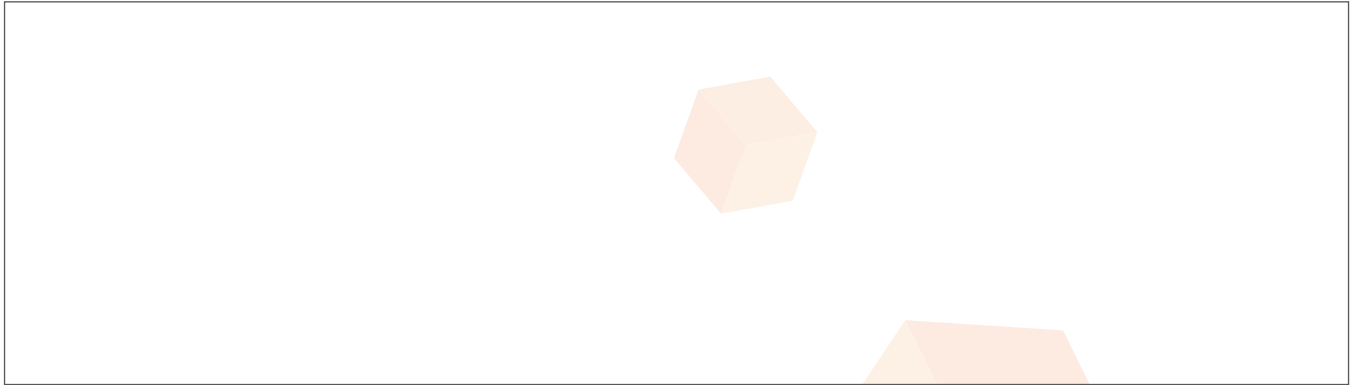
TIMELINE

Outline a timeline for the project:



IMPACT AND EVALUATION

How will you measure the success and impact of your project?



COLLABORATION WITH SKILLS CANADA - NOVA SCOTIA:

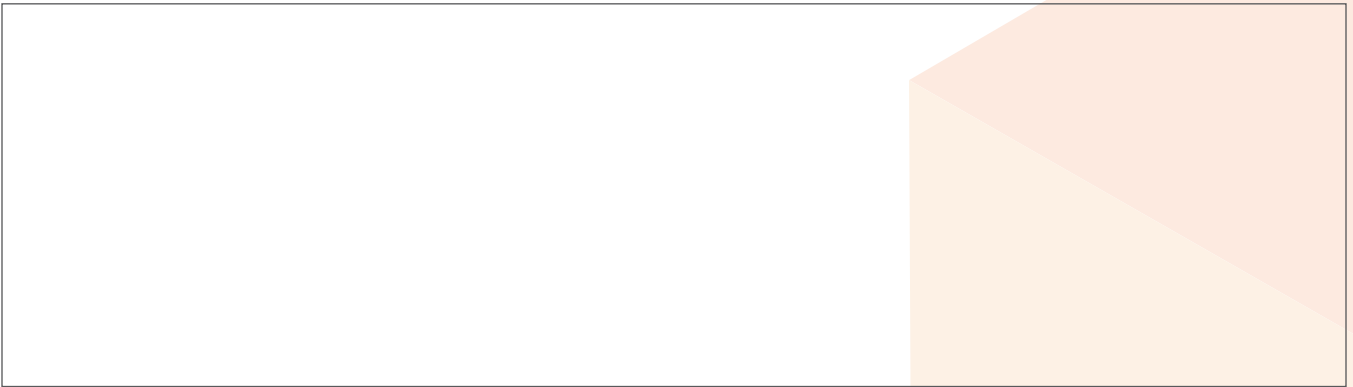
Are you willing to collaborate with Skills Canada - Nova Scotia for the purchase of the approved resources and services outlined in your proposal? YES NO

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

Please attach any additional documents that support your proposal, such as letters of recommendation, project plans, or relevant materials.

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS OR QUESTIONS

Is there any additional information or questions you would like to include with your application?



DECLARATION

Please confirm that you have reviewed the "Call for Proposals" guidelines and are aware of the submission deadline. YES NO

By submitting this application, you agree to comply with the terms and conditions of the grant and the collaborative purchasing process with Skills Canada - Nova Scotia.

SUBMISSION

Signature of the Contact Person:

Date:

