



TRY-A-TRADE® TAKE-OUT CLASSROOM ROBOTICS KIT GIVEAWAY

*Promoting Skilled Trades and Technologies in
Schools and Community Organizations*

INTRODUCTION

Skills Canada – Nova Scotia is excited to announce a robotics-focused Try-A-Trade® Take-Out program giveaway. This giveaway is aimed at supporting classrooms from underrepresented communities in Nova Scotia that are committed to promoting career exploration in skilled trades and technology.

We have allocated funding for eight (8) Mobile Maker Space Robotics Starter Kits from Make Stuff Move, each worth up to \$1,800, to be awarded to recognized educational institutions in Nova Scotia. This giveaway is made possible thanks to funding from the RBC Foundation and Employment and Social Development Canada.

ELIGIBILITY

1. SECONDARY SCHOOLS

- Secondary schools located in Nova Scotia are eligible to apply.

2. RECOGNIZED EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS

- Recognized educational institutions and programs in Nova Scotia are eligible to apply.

APPLICATION GUIDELINES

SUBMISSION DEADLINE: Applications must be submitted by **February 18, 2025**.

PRIZE COST

Each selected organization will receive one Mobile Maker Space Bin valued at \$1,800.

APPLICATION PROCESS

Interested organizations must submit their applications through the application form [linked here](#). You will receive an email confirmation once it has been received.

ROBOTICS KIT DETAILS

Each selected organization will receive one (1) [Mobile Maker Space Bin](#) from Make Stuff Move. Each Mobile Maker Space bin includes 15 starter robotics kits that may be disassembled and reassembled to create three distinct projects. Students are encouraged to work in pairs, meaning one Mobile Maker Space bin can be used with one class of 30 students at a time.

EVALUATION CRITERIA

All proposals will be evaluated based on the following criteria:.

- Projected student reach and impact on promoting skilled trades and technologies.
- A clear plan for using the Mobile Maker Space Bin to engage and benefit underrepresented youth.

SELECTION PROCESS

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

PRIZE DISBURSEMENT

Upon selection, Skills Canada – Nova Scotia will contact the selected organizations to confirm mailing address. All prizes will be delivered straight from Make Stuff Move headquarters in Ontario, Canada.

REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

Selected organizations will be required to submit a progress update in May 2025. These updates include the use of the prize and the number of students that have been reached.

CONTACT INFORMATION

For questions or additional information, **please contact Jamie White at jamiwhite@skillsns.ca**