



The Syrian Canadian Foundation is proudly launching the **Youth in Skilled Trades Program!**



Are you a youth living in Canada aged between 15 & 29 years?

Do you live in the Greater Toronto Area (GTA)?

Would you like to get a scholarship to start a new career?

Do you have an interest in skilled trades?



The **Youth in Skilled Trades** program aims to empower **youth (ages 15–29)**, primarily **newcomers and refugees** from racialized and underrepresented communities in the Greater Toronto Area with opportunities for meaningful long-term employment in the skilled trades sector, particularly in construction and home renovation.



Through a strategic partnership between the **Syrian Canadian Foundation (SCF)**, the **Skilled Trades College of Canada (STCC)** and the **Halton Industry Education Council (HIEC)**, the program will provide **scholarships** and wraparound support to pre-apprentices in the skilled trades, facilitating their successful completion of pre-employment programs and placements, as well as entry into apprenticeships.



The project will also assist participants with the apprenticeship registration process including **finding an employer/sponsor, applying to be an apprentice, and signing a training agreement**. Paid and unpaid placements to support participants' employment experience will also be arranged with **childcare/transportation subsidies** and **laptops** provided to select participants.

The Youth in Skilled Trades program offers two different learning modules!

INTRO TO HOME RENOVATION



The Intro to Home Renovation Program at the Skilled Trades College of Canada (STCC) is an **in-person** learning module designed to meet the current need for skilled trade workers in Ontario's booming construction industry.

In just **12 weeks**, students collectively build a 1,000 square foot house to completion, with finishes, covering the following units: **Safety Training, Tools, Measurements, Prints, Concrete And Forming, Framing, Electrical, Plumbing, Insulating And Drywall, Flooring Installation and Apprenticeship/Job Search.**



- **Location:** Toronto East Campus (*Scarborough*)
- **Duration:** 12 weeks (*October 2nd – December 22nd, 2023*)
- **Schedule:** Monday to Friday from 8:30 am – 3:00 pm
- **Participation:** In-person

EMPLOYMENT READINESS TRAINING



The Employment Readiness Training at the Halton Industry Education Council (HIEC) is an online learning module that focuses on exploring skilled trades career pathways. This program offers a comprehensive introduction to what careers in the skilled trades entail.

Participants will learn **employability, job search, networking skills, occupational requirements and personal attitudinal and behavioral management skills for the workplace.** Participants will also be supported to find employment in the skilled trades.



- **Duration:** 5 weeks (*October 9th – November 10th, 2023*)
- **Schedule:** 3 to 5 hours per week (*exact time to be determined*)
- **Participation:** Online

Registration & Next Steps



If you haven't registered yet, please **scan the QR Code** on the left to take you to the registration page or go to: tinyurl.com/scf-yst

Registration is open until the seats are filled and applications will be assessed on an ongoing basis.

Already registered? Here are the next steps:

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Our team will **review your application** and will confirm that you match the criteria. If your application is approved, you will be contacted by a team member and you will be asked to **submit the following**:

- Proof of ID
- Proof of status in Canada
- Proof of CLB score (if this is not available you will be asked to sit down for a free CLB exam which can be taken online or in-person).
- Proof of any relevant prior skills or language certificates or diplomas.

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Once you **submit all the requirements**, our team will assess your application and if everything is in order you will be invited to an **interview** to get to know you better and answer any questions you may have.

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Once you **pass the interview**, you will receive a notification that you have been accepted as a participant in the **"Youth in Skilled Trades"** program. As a participant, you will need to **go through the following**:

- Onboarding meeting (online)
- In-person visit to the college campus (applicable only to STCC participants)
- A 15-hour online English language & soft skills course

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You will then receive a **brand-new laptop or tablet** to use throughout the course. You will get to keep this laptop or tablet **if you attend at least 80% of the sessions**.

You might also be eligible to receive these additional services:

- Transportation support
- Childcare support (to cater for your little ones when you are doing the course)

After you have successfully completed the course, **your job coach will help you land a job** using your newly-acquired skills. You will also be eligible for a **job placement wage subsidy** to get your career started.

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What are you waiting for?



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