



SKILLS DEVELOPMENT PROJECT: BUILDING OUR FUTURE

Down Syndrome Foundation Canada is launching a new pilot training program in partnership with the Ontario Ministry of Labour's Skills Development Fund. This program will train people with intellectual and developmental disabilities (IDD) to become Supported Co-Workers, giving them hands-on experience and opening doors to rewarding careers in the skilled trades.



NEW TRAINING SESSIONS

This schedule outlines the sessions for both **Cohort 1** and the newly added **Cohort 2**. Both groups utilize the same location and daily time slot, resulting in a three-month overlap of concurrent training.

Overlap period will be from January 5th, 2026, through March 31st, 2026.

	Cohort 1	Cohort 2
Start	October, 2025	Jan 5th, 2026
End	Mar 31st, 2026	Mar 31st, 2026
Application Status	Applications Open to join this existing class	Applications Open (Nov 1st, 2025) - Limited Seats!
Schedule	Monday to Friday, 10:00 am to 2:00 pm	
Training Location	1263 Wilson Ave #200, North York, ON M3M 3G2	
Before and after-class care: 8:30-10:00 am & 2:00-5:00 pm 4300 Steeles Ave W #18, Woodbridge, ON L4L 4C2		

Training will use visual, hands-on methods suited to the learning styles of people with IDD. Units include:

- Safety on the Construction Site
- Using Basic Tools
- Workplace Behaviour & Teamwork
- Job Site Communication

Transportation options are available upon individual requests.

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WHO CAN APPLY?

- 21 years of age and older
- Available to attend training daily in Toronto from early October 1st, 2025 to late March 31, 2026
- Open to developing new skills
- Self-sufficient in managing personal needs and communication

