

The Access A Home Program
Application Process

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Confirm Personal Eligibility

To be eligible for the Nova Scotia Access-A-Home Program:

- You or a family member must be limited to a wheelchair because of a long term disability;
- You or a family member must be expected to be limited to a wheelchair within the next six months because of a long term disability;
- The modifications must be made to your main/primary home.

Confirm Housing Eligibility

Your home is eligible for the program as long as it is your primary residence and there are no structural restrictions for making your home wheelchair accessible.

If you do not own your home, you must provide written approval from the owner for the modification

Apply for the Access A Home Benefit

To apply, call Housing Nova Scotia, toll free at **1-844-424-5110**, this will connect you with the regional office where staff will begin the process with you.

Complete the Initial Application Form

Housing Nova Scotia will mail you an initial application form whereby you will be required to fill out questions regarding income, home ownership and the impairment.

In some cases, individuals may be asked to provide a doctors note outlining their impairment.

Approval

If approved, you will be contacted by Housing Nova Scotia to begin the next steps of the process.

Rejection

If rejected, you will be contacted by Housing Nova Scotia outlining the reasons for rejection. People are often rejected because they have a house income exceeding \$39,000 annually.

If you would like your rejection to be reviewed, you may request this.

Home visit by Inspector

After the initial application, Housing Nova Scotia will send an inspector to your home to examine the location and determine what renovations can be made.

Bidding by Contractors

After the home inspection the individuals applying for the grant will be required to find and meet with two contractors and have them complete bidding forms whereby they propose a fee for the repairs. These are then sent to Housing Nova Scotia and working with them a contractor will be chosen.

Financing the Renovations

Once a bid is selected and approved by Housing Nova Scotia, they will finance the contractor directly to complete the renovations. The funding grant is up to \$7000.