

Media Release
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Autism Nova Scotia Receives Generous Donation of 76 E-Bikes from Carson Exports

HALIFAX – Autism Nova Scotia is delighted to announce the generous donation of 76 e-bikes from Carson Exports. This incredible gift will create new opportunities for Autistic individuals across Nova Scotia to explore their communities, enhance their independence, and engage in active transportation. The gift was made possible by Carson Exports and through the Electrify Nova Scotia Provincial Rebate Program.

This donation will be recognized at an event today:

Carson Exports
550 Windmill Road in Dartmouth
3 to 5 pm

“We are deeply grateful to Carson Exports for this generous donation,” said Amanda Alexander, Interim Executive Director of Autism Nova Scotia. “This initiative will not only enhance the wellbeing of Autistic people by increasing independence and promoting physical activity but will also empower many Autistic people to take control of their lives and seize opportunities that may have been out of reach.”

The e-bikes will be integrated into Autism Nova Scotia’s social and recreational programs, allowing Autistic participants in Halifax Regional Municipality and at our regional autism centres across the province to explore their local communities in a safe and supportive environment.

This initiative will support those who are working towards greater independence and those who face transportation challenges, particularly in rural areas where access to public transit is limited. Autism Nova Scotia will launch a new program offering e-bikes to the community, with more details to come.

Many Autistic individuals experience co-occurring conditions, which can prevent them from obtaining a driver’s license. These e-bikes will provide an alternative means of transportation, fostering autonomy and improving the quality of life for those unable to drive.

This donation will have a lasting impact by increasing access to transportation, enabling participation in community activities, and empowering Autistic individuals to explore and engage with their surroundings in new and meaningful ways. Autism Nova Scotia extends heartfelt thanks to Carson Exports for their commitment to supporting the autism community.

For more information about this initiative or to learn how you can get involved, please contact:

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About Autism Nova Scotia:

Autism Nova Scotia is a non-profit community-based organization that builds understanding, acceptance, and inclusion for Autistics/individuals on the autism spectrum and their families through leadership, advocacy, education, training, and programming across the lifespan. Autism Nova Scotia was founded in 2002 by Joan and Jack Craig, parents of an autistic adult son.

Autism Nova Scotia delivers programming in Halifax and across Nova Scotia through our eight Regional Autism Centres. Our programs and services include Social & Community Inclusion; Mental Health & Wellness; Post Secondary & Employment Support; Community Engagement; and Family & Caregiver Support.

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