



**SCOTIABANK (BARBADOS) LIMITED**  
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**Supporting opportunities for youth with disabilities.**

At Scotiabank we recognize that long-term social and economic prosperity in our communities depends on future generations. When our young people succeed, families, businesses and entire communities and societies are positioned to benefit for years to come.

Providing opportunities for full and equal social and economic participation is beneficial not only to youth with disabilities, but also their surrounding societies, allowing them to contribute fully to the country's development and economic growth to the fullest extent of their abilities.

Through a collaboration with the Barbados Environmental Conservation Trust (BECT) and by extension its partner - Inter-American Institute for Cooperation in Agriculture (IICA), the FarmABLE Livelihoods for Persons with Disabilities Project was launched. This Project offers youth with disabilities greater opportunities to learn and enhance their capabilities pertaining to environmental conservation and food sustainability through projects focused on aquaponics, rabbit and poultry rearing, and sustainable agriculture systems for crop production.

The Project takes place across 3 schools - Challenor Creative Arts and Training Centre, The Ann Hill School and The Derrick Smith School and Vocational Centre and will benefit 50 youth.

The initial phase, which focuses on the Challenor Creative Arts and Training Centre saw Scotiabank employees volunteering their time on International Day of Persons with Disabilities - December 3, to get the project off the ground.



Scotiabank volunteers during prepping of the site for rabbit rearing at Challenor School



Lana Fingall – Senior Relationship Manager and Team Lead, Offshore Banking Unit, Scotiabank; Reuben Wiltshire - Derek Smith School representative and Che Greenidge - Executive Director, BECT at the Launch of the FarmABLE project for Persons with Disabilities.