



Project Lifesaver Simcoe

WHAT IS IT?

Project Lifesaver Simcoe is a tracking device worn by vulnerable residents who have a tendency to wander. It is a watch-sized bracelet that emits a unique FM radio frequency signal every second. Police use a satellite receiver, and when someone goes missing, it's tuned to pick up their frequency. It uses an FM frequency, not GPS, so it works even when a person is in a building or tunnel.

HOW DOES IT WORK?

Vulnerable residents volunteer through their caregivers to participate in the program. All participants are added to the Barrie Police Service's Vulnerable Persons Registry.

WHO CAN PARTICIPATE?

The program is suitable for vulnerable Barrie residents of any age. Examples of vulnerable people include those with Alzheimer's Disease, Autism Spectrum Disorder, Acquired Brain Injury, or a mental health condition.

HOW MUCH IS IT?

The transmitter, bracelets and batteries are \$500 for one year. After the first year, batteries, bracelets and administration fees are \$120 annually or \$10 per month.

WHAT ROLE DO CAREGIVERS PLAY?

Caregivers are tasked with daily battery testing to ensure the device is operating properly. They also record personal information and immediately share vital information with police in case a loved one wanders off.

HOW OFTEN DO BATTERIES NEED TO BE CHANGED?

Batteries and bracelets are changed every 60 days by volunteers with Georgian Bay Volunteer Search and Rescue.

HOW DO I GET INVOLVED?

Senior Helpers, a Barrie business that specializes in the needs of seniors, will meet with potential participants and their caregivers to provide the bracelets and transmitters.

Call 249-888-0249 to book an appointment.

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