

## Resident relies on transit services for appointments

Elsie is a proud and long-time Caledon resident. She has been dependent on Caledon Community Services for transportation for a while now. When she underwent eye surgery in Mississauga to remedy her only seeing eye she knew the risks. But she was determined to remain independent and her eyesight absolutely had to be preserved. Elsie reached out to CCS for transportation for her operation and continues to use this lifeline service for her on-going transportation needs. Her experiences with the service has made her a lasting supporter. "CCS has had a such a positive impact on me and more importantly, on my health". She appreciates the transportation services she receives and encourages people in her community of Alton to start using them too.

If you can't get around in Caledon you're in trouble. I encourage our community's leaders to do something now. I appreciate that a transportation plan is being developed by the Town of Caledon. It has been in the works for a few years and one day will be a solid blueprint for Caledon's transportation services. In the meantime, I see immense challenges here and now in the lives of seniors and people with disabilities when they can't get around. I volunteer for an organization that provides services. We don't like waiting for solutions when our most vulnerable residents are in trouble now and there is every reason to respond now. Planning and preparing is good. And while we're waiting, I believe it's worthwhile to support our most vulnerable community residents now. That's what Caledon is all about.

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