



Canadian Hard of Hearing Association British Columbia Chapter

The Canadian Hard of Hearing Association – BC Chapter Requests Participants for **An *Aging in Place* Project**

CHHA-BC is undertaking a project to evaluate the benefits of various technologies for enhancing independent living. Five eligible seniors will be recruited to take part in the project and will be provided with such devices as visual warning devices and bed shakers.

CHHA-BC intends to use the results of this project to determine the effectiveness of the type of equipment provided in order to recommend to its members and friends whether such equipment is suitable and improves the life situation of participants.

Who?

We are recruiting participants who must be seniors living in British Columbia with hearing loss, living in their own home. Participants will be selected from various areas of the province. Participants will receive several assistive technology devices at no cost to test whether their use can improve their general living conditions in their own home. Examples of devices include bed shakers and flashing light indicators for the doorbell or phone. Other types of equipment may be included. Participants will volunteer their time to participate in the project.

How?

CHHA-BC will provide the equipment at no cost and will train participants in their use by phone or video conference – not in person. During the project period, participants will complete checklists about the technology. All information received is anonymous and no names of participants will be used in reports.

All communication with CHHA-BC staff will be by phone, email, and video conferencing (zoom). CHHA-BC has its office in Vancouver.

When?

The project starts as soon as participants are selected and ends no later than March 31st, 2024.

The application deadline is **July 21st, 2023**. All expressions of interest must be received by this date.

IF YOU WISH TO VOLUNTEER, please contact CHHA-BC at programcoordinator@chha-bc.org by July 21st, 2023 checking the boxes below:

- Yes, I would be interested in participating in the project
- I am 55 or over
- I am a resident in British Columbia
- I live in my own home (not a care home or hospital)
- I have hearing loss
- I can communicate with project staff via electronic communication such as email or video conferencing (zoom).

As well, please provide the following contact information:

First Name	Last Name
Street Address	
City	Postal Code
Phone number	Text number
Email address	

If you have any questions, please email programcoordinator@chha-bc.org.