

Home Adaptation & Maintenance Program: Summer Maintenance

Service Description: A community subsidy-based program aiming to meet the needs of the older adults through a personalized plan of service related to routine lawn maintenance by removing the potential for falls, injuries, and unnecessary hospitalization. Provides peace of mind to the elderly client in knowing they are not burdened with this labour-intensive routine home maintenance task. Provides a renewed sense of independence for the client by allowing them to safely remain in their home longer. Offers respite to the caregiver by easing the burden of daily routine chores.

Lawn maintenance service includes:

Cutting of lawn, weed whacking/edging, pruning, and debris clean-up

Service Provider(s): This program works with pre-approved service providers to provide maintenance services to persons served.

Persons Served: Older adults and person with age related conditions who want to remain in their own home safely.

- Eligibility:**
1. Homeowners, and tenants, if occupant is 55 years of age or older and resides in East Gwillimbury, Georgina, Bradford West Gwillimbury, Newmarket and The Town of New Tecumseth (Tottenham, Beeton and Alliston).
 2. Client is assessed as having difficulty with daily living activities due to loss brought on by aging.

- Limitations:**
1. Frequency of service delivery during the season determined by contracted service providers, client and CHATS, based on subsidy and financial eligibility.
 2. Lawn Service is a seasonal service. Repeat subsidies for future seasons will be assessed at the time requested, based on need.

Program location(s): Service is provided where client resides.

Availability: Services are available Monday – Friday 8:30 am until 4:30 pm. Exceptions may be approved due to weather conditions.

Frequency of Service: Typically, May 1 through October 31 as needed, bi-weekly, weekly service – **dependent on assessment, needs and weather**. This program **is not an Emergency Service**.

Cost: Subsidized services are based on the current fee structure and determined by the client's income, using a sliding scale. Exceptional circumstances requiring reduced rates will be considered on a case by case basis.

Contact: Home Adaptation & Maintenance Program 1.866.677.9048 extension 6227 or hamp@chats.on.ca

Referral Source(s): Persons served, caregiver, other agencies/partners and service providers.

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Stakeholders: Persons served, caregivers and service providers.