

Halton Seniors Helpline link between community, police

Seniors in need of a listening ear are now able to access that simply by picking up the phone.

The Halton Regional Police Service, together with Seniors and Law Enforcement Together (SALT), has launched an initiative called the Halton Seniors Helpline.

The new telephone service is for seniors who have age-related questions or who may be facing uncertain circumstances.

The service is operated by trained senior volunteers from SALT, together with police, and is available Monday to Friday from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

An answering machine is available for calls outside that time period.

It's estimated that by the year 2026, Halton will have more than 130,000 residents over the age of 65.

SALT was established in 1992 and is a community collaborate initiative of Halton

Regional Police to address crime and public safety concerns related to seniors.

It provides a link between the community and police.

The Halton Seniors Helpline is 1-866-457-8252.

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Those interested are asked to call Lynn Petruzzella at (905) 637-4446, ext. 101.

Help a senior

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Links2Care is looking for dedicated volunteers to provide friendship, companionship and conversation to local seniors.

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