



## Living With Independence and Dignity

### Rhonda's Story

Thanks to Barrie Housing Support Services, a United Way-funded program of Simcoe Community Services, Rhonda and Tom now live in a stable and affordable rental unit in Barrie.

Rhonda and Tom were renters in a dilapidated home that the landlord had put on the market. It became apparent that they would need to move quickly before winter set in. At the same time, Rhonda had been hospitalized for multiple health issues and ended up losing a limb.

The staff at Royal Victoria Hospital referred Rhonda and Tom to Barrie Housing Support Services, a housing registry which helps individuals find and sustain affordable housing. Since Rhonda and Tom did not own a vehicle, Barrie Housing Support Services staff took Tom to view a few units and advocated on their behalf with the landlords. Within a few months, they found an appropriate unit.

**Today, thanks to this United Way-funded program, Rhonda and Tom have affordable housing and Rhonda is able to concentrate on her rehabilitation.**



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