

If this sounds familiar . . .



- You misunderstand information on the telephone
- You find it difficult to participate in meetings
- You missed what the repairman said about the washing machine

- You avoid social gatherings because you miss so much conversation
- You hate noisy restaurants and the waiters are impatient with you
- Movies, plays, and lectures sound like transmissions from outer space



- You turn up the volume until it hurts, but you still don't understand
- You start to avoid people who "whisper" or "mumble"
- You don't hear people say hello, and they think you're rude



- Your relationships with friends and family suffer
- It takes so much energy just to try to understand
- It's easier to be alone



You need **CHIP** on your shoulder !



CHIP is a non-profit volunteer organization that is working to make life a little easier and the world a friendlier place for the hearing impaired.



CHIP provides a regular program of events for the hearing impaired:

- Communication strategies
- Information sessions about hearing aids and other assistive devices
- Information on government services
- Tours, lectures, and hands-on workshops.



CHIP's HEAR program (Hearing Education for Aural Rehabilitation) helps people adjust to the day-to-day realities of hearing impairment through a 6-week program packed with technical information, practical tips, problem-solving, and the simple joy of sharing experiences.



CHIP offers workshops in speechreading (lipreading) at both beginner and intermediate levels.



CHIP presents evening programs of captioned feature films for the hearing-impaired and their friends and families.



At **CHIP's** well-equipped Resource Centre you can try out a range of assistive listening devices: telephones, amplifiers, doorbells, and alarms. We don't sell them – we just help you find the solution to your needs.



CHIP provides courses in Signed English for people who have lost their hearing later in life. By learning some basic signs from American Sign Language and how to fingerspell (the 26 alphabet signs) you can enhance your communication. Signed English uses speech and sign concurrently. People you communicate with daily will be able to pick it up just by watching you, or by coming to classes with you.



CHIP's Reach Out program facilitates understanding of the needs of the hearing-impaired in the wider community through education, awareness-building, and advocacy to promote the rights of the hearing impaired.



CHIP's School Program is a teacher workshop designed to help educate children and their teachers about hearing and the prevention of hearing loss.

Well, you are not alone



Almost two million people in Canada are hearing-impaired.

Hearing loss is an invisible disability.

**It affects our most vital link with other people
– communication!**

Hearing loss can be caused by disease, side effects of medication, excessive noise, accident, or genetic factors.

But, whatever the cause, and whatever the degree of your loss . . .

Join us!

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**Is
Your
Hearing
Letting
You
Down?**

I am interested in CHIP and its activities.

Please send me your current program and schedule of workshops and classes.
(Please print)

Name :

Address:

Postal Code:

Phone: (daytime)

Phone: (evening)

Fax:

Email:



We'll be waiting to hear from you!

