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## News Release/ Communiqué

**FROM/DE: Huronia West Detachment**

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### **VULNERABLE PERSON REGISTRY**

**(CLEARVIEW AND SPRINGWATER TOWNSHIPS & WASAGA BEACH, ON.)** – The Huronia West Detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) would like to make the public aware of The Vulnerable Person Registry (VPR) that is now available to the community. This service allows caregivers and guardians to submit vital information about a person who may pose a safety concern to themselves or the public because of a medical, physical or mental health condition.

The VPR is open to anyone free of charge, living in Clearview Twp., Springwater Twp. and the Town of Wasaga Beach, who feels that they are vulnerable in times of emergencies. A legal guardian/parent, or other legal authority of a vulnerable person may register an individual who is unable to do so themselves.

The goal of this program is to allow OPP personnel to have quick access to vital information about a registered person, allowing police to quickly respond and provide effective assistance when needed. The VPR will record specific information that will help police better understand how to assist with the vulnerable person in need and necessary resources they require.

The public can attend the Huronia West OPP Detachment at 1000 River Road West, Wasaga Beach during regular business hours and fill out the Vulnerable Person Registry form. Certain information will be asked on the form to better assist the police.

- Name
- Date of Birth
- Physical descriptors
- Contact information
- Special Needs/Diagnosis
- Methods of approach
- Objects of Attraction
- Photograph of persons face

Once registered, the person will remain on the registry until asked to be removed. The registry will have to be updated yearly by the care giver or person registered with any change of information so it remains accurate. The OPP is committed to the safety of all and the VPR will allow police quick access to necessary information to better assist vulnerable persons.

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