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Where can I find a phone if I don't have one?

Many local agencies have phones available for their clients to use. If you are connected to, and receive services from any well known agency, you may be able to ask them.

Here are a few locations for accessible phones to use:

- CCRC's Resource Room at 540 George Street N

- The ODSP office (for ODSP clients) on the 2nd floor of Peterborough Square, at 360 George Street N

Pay phones:

- Peterborough Bus Terminal at 190 Simcoe Street

- Outside the Bell building at 183 Hunter Street W

- Peterborough Square at 340 George Street N

- Outside of Walmart at 1002 Chemong Road

- The corner of Dublin Street and George Street N

Where can I get access to internet or a computer if I don't have one?

- The Peterborough Public Library at 345 Aylmer Street, and 729 Park Street S, have free to use computers and public Wi-Fi.

- CCRC's Housing Resource Centre at 540 George Street N, has computers available in their resource room.

- Downtown Peterborough has free to use public Wi-Fi.

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What if I don't have an email address?

Getting an email account isn't too hard when you have the right tools. Many companies like Google, Yahoo, and Microsoft will let you set up an account for free. Here are some guides to making an account with different providers:

- For Gmail: support.google.com/mail/answer/56256?hl=en

- For Yahoo: help.yahoo.com/kb/sign-account-sln2056.html

- For Microsoft Outlook: lifewire.com/create-new-outlook-email-1170658

Do you have a boring, professional sounding email address?

When you're emailing with landlords, it's better to have a boring email address that won't raise any concerns, like yourname123@emailprovider.com

Some tips about public Wi-Fi and computers:

- Try not to do anything that involves sensitive or personal info (banking, filling out forms, shopping, etc.) on public Wi-Fi or computers, if you can.

- If you're on a public computer, make sure to log out of all your accounts when you're done using them.

- If you're doing anything online with sensitive or personal information, try to clear your browsing data when you're done.

- If you're using a personal device on public Wi-Fi, setting up a VPN (Virtual Private Network) can help protect your information.