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BARRIE FOOD BANK

Sharon Palmer from the Barrie Food Bank provided a presentation concerning the Food Bank and serving Barrie's vulnerable individuals and families.

Ms. Palmer discussed slides concerning the following topics:

- The vision, mission and values of the Barrie Food Bank;
- An overview on the community funded charity;
- Statistics associated to seniors using the Barrie Food Bank by age;
- A bar graphs illustrating during the pandemic, the number of individuals and individuals 60+ that used
 the Food Bank from January 1, 2019 to October 31, 2021 and the costs of food and housing among low
 income earners in Simcoe Muskoka in 2019;
- A summary of scenarios based on individuals and families in the County of Simcoe and monthly income, living expenses, nutritious food basket and food costs;
- The low barrier access to food for Barrie and Innisfil residents; and
- The food available at the Barrie Food Bank.

Members of the Committee asked a number of questions of Ms. Palmer and received responses.