

# Real Stories. Real Impact. Sheri G., Branford

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Sheri G. of Branford is hard of hearing, and as a result, she cannot hear a typical doorbell or smoke alarm. To ensure that she would know when there was a fire or someone at her door, she requested that her housing provider install a smoke detector and doorbell with flashing lights. “I was concerned for my safety,” she says. “I don’t wear my hearing aid to bed, and I can’t hear when it’s out.”

She first used the Center’s Disability Letter Generator online tool, which helped her to create a **reasonable accommodation** request letter to submit to the property management company. Unfortunately, she says, the company gave her “the runaround” and after nearly nine months of follow-up, she still didn’t have flashing alarms in her unit. That’s when she reached out to the Center for help. Shortly after we intervened, the housing provider agreed to install the flashing alarm and doorbell.

“I couldn’t be happier,” Sheri says.  
“I go to bed feeling much safer.”



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