

I am a 25 year old woman and i am legally blind. I have been struggling and living with this since i was ten and of course at the age of 16 was told i would not be able to get my lisenche and would never be able to drive. This is a very sad and scary thing for a young person to hear in a world designed for people who can see and who can drive. When i was 18 i moved to the city to attend post secondaey school which is already scary normally but even more so when you are blind and can not get around the city independetly. CNIB helped me to get a bus pass and this opened up so many opportunities for me. As part of my schooling i needed to do amn eight week placement which meant i needed to get across the city everyday. The CNIB bus pass allowed me to complete my placement and i got hired for that job. This meant tat now i need to take the bus everyday to and from work which i have been doing now for 6 years thanks to that bus pss helping me. The reason the bus pass is so helpful and important to me is because when you are blind you have limited options for employment and usually do not mske a lot of money so having a way of transportation that is safe and affordable is VERY important to me . Taking this pass away will limit the freedom and independance that most people take for granted everyday i do NOT sit at home on disability like i could be due to my vision loss so please do not take away the only help i ask for which is the CNIB bus pass. Thank you for taking time to read my letter .