

# Ticket to Work

**Quick Look:** Ticket to Work is a free, voluntary program from the Social Security Administration. The program is available to people ages 18–64 who are blind or have a disability and who receive SSI or SSDI benefits. Ticket holders can receive support to help them when they begin working without immediately losing benefits.

The Ticket to Work and Self Sufficiency program provides Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI) and/or Supplemental Security Income (SSI) beneficiaries the choices, opportunities, and support they need to enter the workforce and maintain employment with the goal of becoming economically self-supporting over time.

## How It Works

Under the Ticket to Work program, eligible beneficiaries with disabilities who are receiving monthly cash benefit payments are entitled to participate by signing up with an approved service provider of their choice. This can be an Employment Network (EN) or a state Vocational Rehabilitation (VR) agency. If the EN/state VR agency accepts the ticket assignment, it will coordinate and provide appropriate services to help the beneficiary find and maintain employment.

While participating in the Ticket program, beneficiaries can obtain the help they need to safely explore work options and find the job that is right for them without immediately losing their benefits. Beneficiaries also can use a combination of Social Security work incentives to maximize their income until they begin to earn enough to support themselves. Therefore, an individual using a Ticket can:

- go to work without automatically losing benefits.
- return to benefits if he or she has to stop working.
- continue to receive health care benefits.
- be protected from receiving a medical Continuing Disability Review (CDR) while making expected progress with work or educational goals.

Find more information at: "[About Ticket to Work](#)" and "[Ticket to Work Program Overview](#)." Or call the Ticket to Work information line at 866-968-7842.

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