



Benefit Application

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Welcome to the Social Security Benefit Application

Thank you for using our online Retirement/Medicare Application.

What will you need before you begin?

Find information and necessary documents you need to complete the application online for.

- [Myself](#)
- [Someone else](#)

[Watch Video: Helpful hints for completing this application](#)

Applying for benefits

- To start a new application for retirement or Medicare, select the "Apply for Benefits" button
- To finish an application you already started select the "Return to a Saved Application" button
- To obtain estimates of your future retirement benefits use the [Retirement Estimator](#)

How long will it take?

We estimate that completing the application will take between 10 and 30 minutes depending on the number of questions you need to answer. You can save your application as you go, so you can take a break at any time.

You may also want to review:

- [When To Start Receiving Retirement Benefits](#)
- [Extra Help With Medicare Prescription Drug Plan Costs](#)
- [Medicare - For People Within 3 Months of Age 65 or Older](#)
- [Other Ways To Apply for Benefits](#)
- [Unfinished Applications](#)
- [Hours of Operation](#)

To Continue Your Application

If you want to finish an application that you already started:

[Return to a Saved Application](#)

To Start The Application Process

Please select one of the following. Tell us information about the person completing this application.

- ☐ I am applying for myself.
- ☐ I am helping someone who wants to apply for benefits and is with me.
- ☐ I am helping someone who is not with me, and therefore cannot sign the application at this time.

Blind or visually impaired applicants can use the [Internet Special Notices Option](#) page to choose how to receive notices from Social Security.

Please select one:

- ☐ I am not blind or visually impaired; or, I am not applying for myself.
- ☐ I have visited the Internet Special Notices Option page.

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Paperwork Reduction Act

New text changes name of link from "Applying online for disability benefits page" to "Apply Online For Disability Benefits"

Welcome to the Social Security Benefit Application

Thank you for using our online Disability Application.

This is only one of several steps in the process to apply online for disability benefits. If this is the first time you are learning about this process please go to [Apply Online For Disability Benefits](#) to review all the steps you need to complete your application.

What will you need before you begin?

Find information and necessary documents you need to complete the application online for:

- [Myself](#)
- [Someone else](#)

[Watch Video: Helpful](#)

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- [Information About the Disability Program](#)
- [Other Ways To Apply for Benefits](#)
- [Unfinished Applications](#)
- [Your Right To Representation](#)
- [Hours of Operation](#)

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Please enter the last four digits of your Social Security Number to begin your retirement application.

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You are currently signed into a secure session. If you wish to end the secure session, you can do so by selecting "Sign Out".

[Sign Out](#)

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