

The House of Social Security Benefits: Understanding SSI & SSDI



Two Programs, One House

Different Rooms, Different Rules

SSI: Supplemental Security Income

A needs-based program where benefit amounts may change based on your monthly earnings.



SSDI: Social Security Disability Insurance

A program based on work history that may allow for continued cash benefits while working.



WORKING & YOUR BOTTOM LINE

More Total Income

Working usually results in more money overall, even if your specific benefit amount decreases.



Keep Your Medicaid

Programs like Medicaid Buy-In help you stay covered while you work and live in your community.



Food Assistance (SNAP) Continuity

While earnings might change your food benefits, you may still qualify for assistance while working.