



Supplemental Security Income (SSI) in Hawaii

What is SSI?

Supplemental Security Income (SSI), is a federal program that provides monthly payments to people who have limited income and resources. SSI is for people who are 65 or older, as well as people of any age, including children, who are blind or have disabilities.

To qualify for SSI, you must also have little or no income and few resources. The value of the things you own must be less than \$2,000 if you're single or less than \$3,000 for married couples living together. We don't count the value of your home if you live in it, and, usually, we don't count the value of your car. We may not count the value of certain other resources either, such as a burial plot.

To get SSI, you must also apply for any other government benefits for which you may be eligible. You must live in the United States or the Northern Mariana Islands to get SSI. If you're not a U.S. citizen, but you lawfully reside in the United States, you may still be able to get SSI. For more information, read *Supplemental Security Income (SSI) for Noncitizens* (Publication No. 05-11051).

The state of Hawaii pays optional state supplemental funds only to those SSI recipients, including children, who are living in some form of foster or domiciliary care. Hawaii determines individual payment amounts for eligible children in domiciliary care. Two distinct levels of payment are made and are based on the type of domiciliary care facility.

The single payment you get at the beginning of each month includes both the federal SSI payment and your supplement from Hawaii.

Medical assistance

If you get SSI, you can usually get medical assistance (Medicaid). You must apply, however, for Medicaid at your local county health or human services office.

Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP)

If you get SSI, you may be able to get help through SNAP, formerly known as food stamps. SNAP benefits can help you buy more food without spending more money. However, we don't decide if you qualify for SNAP benefits. If everyone in your household is applying for or getting SSI, you can apply for SNAP at a Social Security office. If not, you must apply at your local county health or human services office.

People who qualify for SSI are often eligible for additional programs and services provided by their local county health or human services office. These other services or benefits may include:

- Services for people who are blind or have visual impairments.
- Additional state financial aid.
- Motor vehicle insurance.

For more information, contact your local county health or human services office.

Monthly SSI payment amounts

The table on the back of this page lists the combined federal and state payment amounts. Not all SSI recipients get the maximum amount. Your payment may be lower if you have other income.

| Category | 2023 Total Monthly Payment |
|--|----------------------------|
| <i>Independent living status</i> | |
| Eligible person | \$914.00 |
| Eligible couple | \$1,371.00 |
| <i>Living in adult foster care home</i> | |
| Eligible person | \$1,565.90 |
| Eligible couple | \$3,011.80 |
| <i>Living in someone else's household</i> | |
| Eligible person | \$609.34 |
| Eligible couple | \$914.00 |
| <i>Private non-medical facility (five people or less)</i> | |
| Eligible person | \$1,565.90 |
| Eligible couple | \$3,011.80 |
| <i>Private non-medical facility (more than five people)</i> | |
| Eligible person | \$1,673.90 |
| Eligible couple | \$3,227.80 |
| <i>Living in a Medicaid Facility</i> | |
| Eligible person | \$50.00 |
| Eligible couple | \$100.00 |

Contacting Us

The most convenient way to do business with us is to visit www.ssa.gov to get information and use our online services. There are several things you can do online: apply for benefits; start or complete your request for an original or replacement Social Security card; get useful information; find publications; and get answers to frequently asked questions.

When you open a personal *my* Social Security account, you have more capabilities. You can review your *Social Security Statement*, verify your earnings, get estimates of future benefits and save or print a benefit verification letter. Access to your personal *my* Social Security account may be limited for users outside the United States.

If you don't have access to the internet, we offer many automated services by telephone, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, so you may not need to speak with a representative.

If you need to speak with someone, call us toll-free at **1-800-772-1213** or at our TTY number, **1-800-325-0778**, if you're deaf or hard of hearing. A member of our staff can answer your call from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m., Monday through Friday. We provide free interpreter services upon request. For quicker access to a representative, try calling early in the day (between 8 a.m. and 10 a.m. local time) or later in the day. **We are less busy later in the week (Wednesday to Friday) and later in the month.**



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