

## **Supplemental Security Income (SSI)**

Supplemental Security Income (SSI) is a benefits program that provides monthly payments to children and adults with disabilities and limited or no resources.

#### How Do I Apply?



Call 1-800-772-1213 for an appointment.



Visit Cobb County Social Security Administration Office



Apply at www.ssa.gov/apply/ssi

#### **Eligibility Requirements**

- The adult must have a physical or mental disability that:
  - Is severe and creates functional limitations.
  - Prevents gainful employment.
  - Has lasted for more than 12 months and is expected to continue.
- Adult income is limited to less than \$1500...

### **Frequently Asked Questions**

- How long does the process take?
  - Depending on the need for appeals, the process can take anywhere from three months to two years.
- What kind of documentation do I need?
  - o If you make an appointment or apply online, you will receive a list of documents.
  - The list may include: social security card, birth certificate, bank statements, medical report or eligibility report, your child's IEP, and lists of people who work with your child.



## **Benefits Navigation**

Benefits Navigators are free and helpful to families to make sure benefits aren't lost.

# What is the Benefits Navigator Program?

- The Benefits Navigator Program helps individuals and families understand how earned income will impact SSI benefits (and other State and Federal benefits).
- Benefits Navigators can help determine how to maximize earnings and keep benefits.

# Who is the Benefits Navigator for Cobb County?



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### Questions a Benefits Navigator Can Answer

- How much can someone make before losing their SSI payment?
- How will savings/working affect the SSI payment?
- What work incentives are available?
- If my child has SSI, what should I expect when they turn 18?
- Who do I contact if I think the SSI amount is not correct?
- Who do I contact if I need to update information for SSI?



If you would like to connect with the Transition Resource Specialist that supports your school, please consult the Locations list on the Transition Services website:

https://www.cobbk12.org/page/38587/specialeducation-transition-services