



MAKING BENEFITS WORK

SSDI & EMPLOYMENT

**SSDI is also known as Social Security Disability Insurance.
You receive a payment monthly with SSDI.**

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS?

How do I know if I have SSDI?

You also have a red, white and blue Medicare card when you have SSDI.

My friend went to work and likes it- Will I?

You might too! You can make new friends, learn new skills, and you can buy those cool shades!

Can I keep my SSDI check when I work?

Yep! As a matter of fact, for the first nine months you can earn as much as you like-no problem.

After that, just keep your gross monthly income below \$1,620 for non-blind or \$2,700 for blind per month in 2025 (this amount will change yearly).

Can I keep Medicare when I work?

Absolutely! You can choose to keep Medicare indefinitely.

What if I stop working?

Simply let the Social Security Administration (SSA) know you can't work any longer and that you need your cash payments to resume.

Who can help me understand how working will impact my SSDI?

Great Question! Everyone has a unique situation and that's why we're here to help! A DDA Benefits Coordinator can work with you one-on-one, and also help you learn about what happens after you start work.

**For more information contact DDA's
Benefits Counseling Program:**

Go To: tn.gov/disability-and-aging

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