

I Want a Job

What is the Ticket to Work program?

Social Security's Ticket to Work Program is a free and voluntary program available to people who are ages 18 through 64 and receive Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI) or Supplemental Security Income (SSI) benefits because they are disabled or blind.

The goals of the Ticket to Work Program are to:

- Offer beneficiaries with disabilities expanded choices when seeking service and supports to enter, re-enter, and/or maintain employment;
- Increase the financial independence and self-sufficiency of beneficiaries with disabilities; and
- Reduce and, whenever possible, eliminate reliance on disability benefits.

The beneficiary does not need a paper Ticket to participate. Under this program, eligible beneficiaries with disabilities who are receiving monthly cash benefit payments are entitled to participate by signing up with an approved service provider of their choice. This can be an Employment Network (EN) or a State Vocational Rehabilitation (VR) agency. The EN/State VR agency, if they accept the Ticket assignment, will coordinate and provide appropriate services to help the beneficiary find and maintain employment. These services may be training, career counseling, vocational rehabilitation, job placement, and ongoing support services necessary to achieve a work goal.

Where is the approved list of provider agencies?

Go to <http://www.chooseworkttw.net/resource/jsp/searchByState.jsp> and insert your ZIP CODE for a list of provider agencies in your area.

Autism Society of Alabama: Employment

<http://www.autism-society.org/living-with-autism/autism-through-the-lifespan/adulthood/employment/>

Achieving a Better Life Experience (ABLE) Act
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