

Public Benefits A Review

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A Primer on Public Benefits

Needs Based Benefits

- Supplemental Security Income (SSI)
- Medicaid
- Food stamps, legal aid, and utility payment assistance
- Housing subsidies (H.U.D. or Section 8)

Entitlement Benefits

- Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI)
- Childhood Disability Benefits (CDB)
- Medicare
- Special Education

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Needs Based Benefits

Benefits based on Entitlement

Cash

Assistance

Medical Assistance

Supplemental Security Income	SSD (Social Security Disability) CDB (Childhood Disability Benefits)
Medicaid	Medicare

Supplemental Security Income

SSI is a federal program, administered by the Social Security Administration (SSA) that provides cash for people with disabilities and the elderly who are very low-income.

Supplemental Security Income

SSI is intended to pay for the beneficiary's food and shelter.





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Supplemental Security Income

- The SSI rate for 2022:
 - \$841 for an individual
 - **\$1,261** for a couple
- Some states supplement SSI, so recipients may get a higher amount



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