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# Think Outside the Office: Discovering Non-Office Occupations

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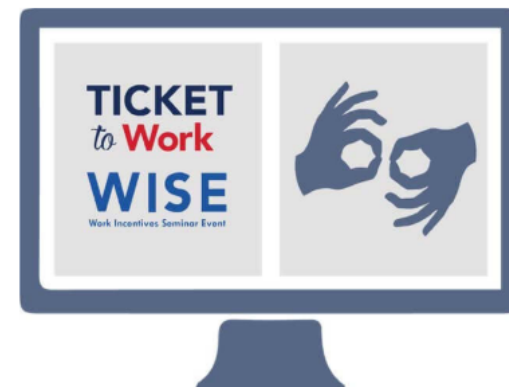
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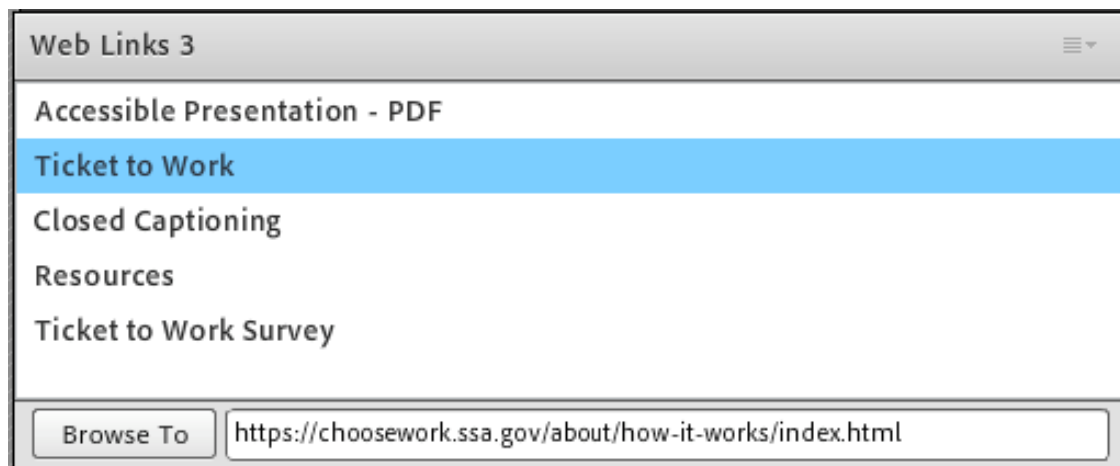
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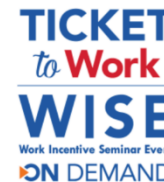


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# Presenters

## Welcome and Introductions

Moderator: Derek Shields, Ticket to Work Team

Presenters: Raymond A. Cebula, III, J.D., Cornell University

# Welcome!

Thank you for joining us! Today, we'll discuss how Social Security's Ticket to Work (Ticket) Program can help you and answer questions related to:

- Discovering Non-office jobs
- Social Security's Ticket Program
- Ticket Program Service Providers



# Consider Jobs Outside the Office





# How do I decide what path to pursue?

- What do I like to do?
- Do I need to have a sedentary job?
- Do I like being outdoors?
- Is it important to work with other people as part of a team?
- Will I need any training to pursue the job I'd like?
- Do I like to repair or build things?
- How much money do I want to earn?
- Do I have a hobby that could be a job?

# Why Should I Consider Non-Office Jobs?



# 5 Advantages of a Non-Office Job #1

## Start working without a four-year degree

A college degree isn't the only option to get the skills you need to work.

Non-office jobs often require **shorter training programs** and education that you can obtain for a **fraction of the cost** of a four-year degree.



## 5 advantages of a Non-Office Job #2

### Gain experience that can lead to more advanced positions

Do you have a goal to work toward a job that's **more advanced** and requires **more experience**?

An entry-level job in that industry is a great place to start.

You'll get **on-the-job experience** and learn more about what specific path you'd like to take.

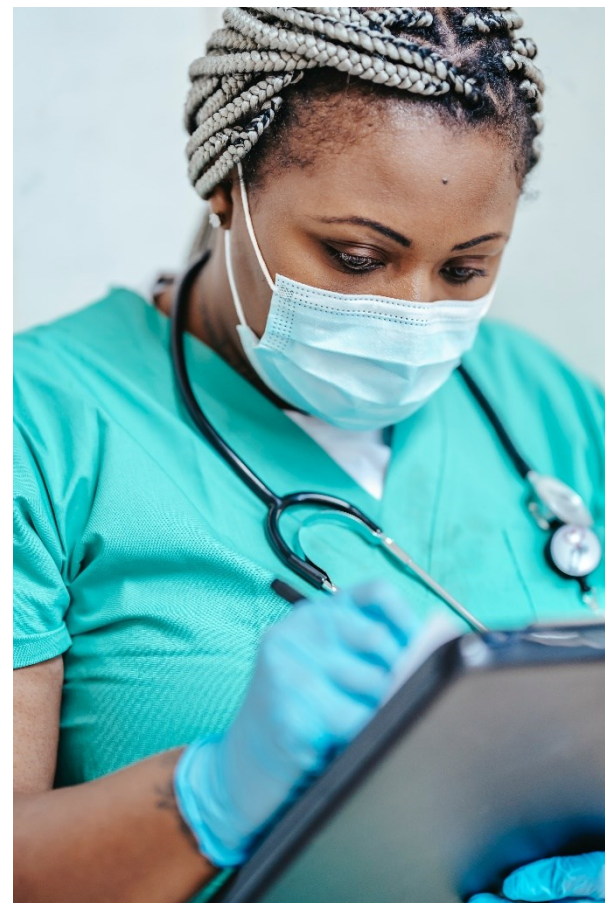


# 5 Advantages of a Non-office Job #3

## Learn while you earn with apprenticeships

Apprenticeship programs allow you to get paid while you gain work experience, classroom instruction and credentials that employers like to see.

You can get hands-on experience that leads to future employment.



# More Info about Apprenticeships

Apprenticeships are available in many fields, including **manufacturing, construction, health care, IT, hospitality and more.**

According to [Apprenticeship.gov](https://www.apprenticeship.gov), 92% of apprentices **retain employment** after completing an apprenticeship.

There is much more information on [Apprenticeship.gov](https://www.apprenticeship.gov), including **how to apply** for an apprenticeship and current programs available. Our blog post, [Why Should I Consider an Apprenticeship?](#) contains even more information.



# 5 Advantages of a Non-office Job #4

## Start working sooner

Non-office jobs often have a **shorter application process** that starts your journey to financial independence more quickly.

Online job boards are frequently updated with jobs that need to be filled immediately. Visit our [Find a Job](#) page for an extensive list of job boards to help with your search.



# 5 Advantages of a Non-office Job #5

## Earn good wages

There are **good paying** non-office jobs and career paths. The opportunity to earn a good living doesn't only exist in office jobs.

According to the most recent data from the [Bureau of Labor Statistics](#), many non-office jobs are listed among the industries with the **fastest growing wages**.

Fields included are **agriculture, transit and ground transportation, amusement and recreation, and motor vehicle manufacturing**.





# What are Some Examples of Non-office Jobs?

More examples of non-office jobs include:

- Cooks
- Painters
- Hairdressers
- Welders
- Drivers
- Electricians
- Tour guides
- and many more.



# How to Get Started

Social Security's Ticket to Work Program has a variety of service providers and other resources ready to help you get started!

## Call the Ticket to Work Help Line:

- 1-866-968-7842
- 1-866-833-2967 (TTY)

Visit: [choosework.ssa.gov](https://www.choosework.ssa.gov)

## Connect:

Visit the [Choose Work! Contact page](#) to find us on social media and subscribe to blog and email updates!



# Questions?





# **Connecting to a Non-Office Job: Social Security's Ticket to Work Program**

# Social Security Disability Benefits Programs

SSDI

**Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI)**

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**Supplemental Security Income (SSI)**



# Sign Up for a *my* Social Security Account

- Your personal [my Social Security](#) account at gives you secure access to information based on your earnings history and interactive tools tailored to you.
- With a *my* Social Security account, you can access your earnings history and benefits information, request a replacement Social Security card, get a proof of income letter, estimate and apply for benefits, and more.

How to create a *my* Social Security account



Securing today and tomorrow

To create an account, you must:

-   
Be at least 18 years of age
-   
Have a Social Security number
-   
Have a valid U.S. mailing address
-   
Have an email address

# Starting the Journey

Only you can decide if work is the **right choice for you.**



# Why Choose Work?

Earning a living through employment is not something everyone can do, but it may be **right for you**. Once people understand the many **free services and supports** available to them, they often find that the rewards far outweigh the risks.





# What Is the Ticket to Work Program? (Slide 1 of 3)

## The Ticket to Work Program

- Is a free and **voluntary** Social Security program.
- Offers **career development** for people ages 18 through 64 who receive Social Security disability benefits and want to work.



# What Is the Ticket to Work Program? (Slide 2 of 3)

The Ticket to Work Program connects you with **free employment services** to help you:

- Decide if working is right for you
- Prepare for work
- Find a job
- Succeed at work



# What Is the Ticket to Work Program? (Slide 3 of 3)

We encourage you to learn more about the Ticket Program from our fact sheet.

## What is Social Security's Ticket to Work Program?



# Who Can Help You Achieve Your Work Goals?

Through the Ticket program, interested job seekers can connect with a [service provider](#), like an Employment Network (EN) or a State Vocational Rehabilitation (VR) agency, to receive work-related services and supports.

With support and resources, you can find the path to reach your career goals and financial independence through work.



# Employment Network (EN)

An EN is a private or public organization that has an agreement with Social Security to provide **free employment support services** to people who are eligible for the Ticket Program.

- Many state public workforce systems, such as American Job Centers, are **Workforce ENs**.



# How Can Working with an EN Help You?

Some ENs may offer job placement that includes non-office work.

You can also get help

- **building** or **rewriting** your resume
- **preparing** for interviews
- and other job preparation services.



# How Can Working with an EN Help You?

- Some ENs, especially workforce ENs, may offer **job training**.
- If you require **reasonable accommodations** due to a disability, a service provider can also help you determine additional resources and supports to help you succeed in the workplace.



# State Vocational Rehabilitation (VR) Agency

A State VR agency provides a wide variety of services to help people with disabilities return to work, enter new lines of work, or enter the workforce for the first time. A State VR agency can offer benefits counseling and may also be able to help you with:

- **Vocational rehabilitation**
- **Training and education**

Some states have separate VR agencies that serve individuals who are blind and visually impaired.







# Manufacturing a Promising Future

- At the age of 4, [Josh](#) was hit by a car and experienced a traumatic brain injury (TBI) that affected his cognition and mobility.
- Josh craved an active career where he could earn a living contributing to his community, but he worried about how working and earning income would affect his Supplemental Security Income (SSI).

# Josh's Employment Story

- Josh connected with a local EN that helped him identify his **work goals** and **internship opportunities** in the manufacturing industry.
- With support from his EN, Josh succeeded in his internship and was offered a **full-time position** with the company where he feels proud of his **financial independence** and **contributions to his community**.



# How Do You Find a Service Provider?

- If you're ready to find a service provider, visit the [Find Help](#) tool.
- Search by:
  - ZIP code
  - Services offered
  - Disability type
  - Languages spoken
  - Provider type (EN, Workforce EN, VR, WIPA, or PABSS)
- Or call the **Ticket to Work Help Line** for a list of service providers at **1-866-968-7842** or **1-866-833-2967 (TTY)** Monday – Friday 8 a.m. – 8 p.m. ET



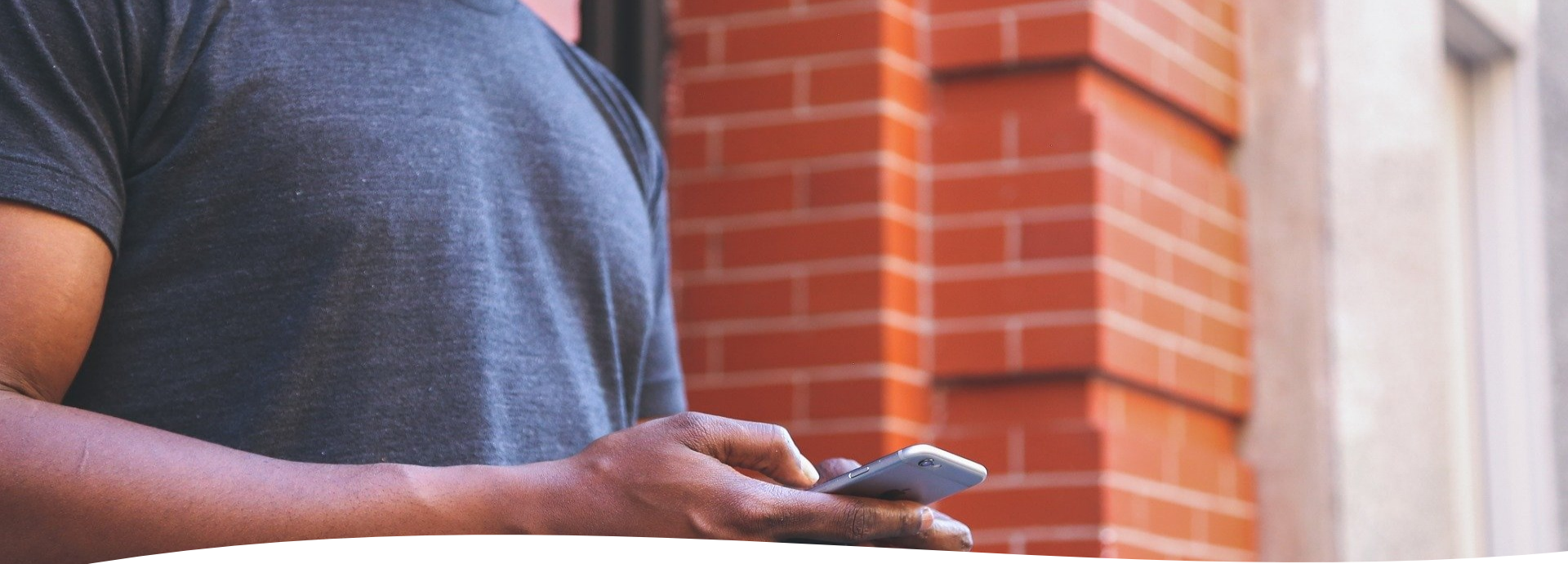
# Questions?



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- Interested in learning more about the Ticket Program, employment service providers and other topics? [Subscribe to the Choose Work! Blog](#) to get our weekly updates sent directly to your inbox.





## Opt-In to Receive Text Messages

- Get advice and encouragement, and read stories about people who achieved financial independence with help from the Ticket to Work Program.
- If you're interested in receiving text messages from the Ticket Program, please text **TICKET** to **474747**. Standard messaging rates may apply.

# Ticket to Work Mail

- If you need to contact Social Security's Ticket to Work Program, managed by the Social Security Administration's Office of Employment Support, we ask that you do so **electronically** instead of by postal mail.
- Our email address is [support@choosework.ssa.gov](mailto:support@choosework.ssa.gov). Remember, **do not include personally identifiable information** in your email!
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- A Federal Communications Commission benefit program that helps ensure that households can afford the broadband they need for work, school, healthcare and more.
- Provides eligible households with a discount on broadband service and connected devices.
- Provides a discount of up to \$30 per month toward the internet for eligible households and up to \$75 per month for homes on qualifying Tribal lands.

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