

# Ticket to Work for America's Veterans

Social Security's Ticket to Work (Ticket) program recognizes that military veterans have a lot to offer employers. For veterans receiving Supplemental Security Income (SSI) or Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI), the Ticket program offers help to identify transferable skills, prepare for and find job opportunities and transition to the civilian workplace.

## Ahead of the competition

Employers value your military training and experience and recognize that because of your service, you have many skills to offer, including:

- Leadership
- Time management
- Organization
- Flexibility



Meet **Robert**, a veteran who spent 7 years serving in the U.S. Army. Robert sustained a spinal cord injury during a surgery mishap that left

him with limited mobility. An EN helped answer questions about employment and helped him find work, where he now helps other veterans.

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## Social Security resources for veterans

Visit [www.ssa.gov/people/veterans](http://www.ssa.gov/people/veterans) for resources, including:

- Answers to popular questions about benefits eligibility and Social Security Work Incentives
- The Journey to Success publication series with guidance on employment tools for your path to work, from searching for a job to transitioning to work and financial independence
- Useful links from the Department of Veterans Affairs and the Department of Defense

## Getting started with the Ticket program

The Ticket program offers employment support through **service providers**, like **Employment Networks (EN)**. If you're age 18 through 64 and receive Social Security disability benefits, working with an EN may help you:

- Identify your skills
- Set work goals
- Prepare for the job search
- Find employment opportunities
- Handle job applications
- Prepare for interviews
- Transition to work





Meet **Renate**, a veteran who served in the U.S. Army's Military Police. After an injury, multiple seizures and a mood disorder diagnosis, Renate

left her job and began receiving SSDI. Working with an EN helped her regain confidence in her abilities as she looked for work.

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Some ENs are a part of the Public Workforce System, a network of federal, state and local offices that supports all qualified people with their work goals. In addition to career planning and job placement supports, many **Workforce ENs** also offer training and special programs for veterans.

Your State **Vocational Rehabilitation** (VR) agency may also provide more extensive services and support to prepare you to return to work, such as rehabilitation and individual counseling, adaptive equipment – such as wheelchairs and vehicle modifications – and college-level training.



## Learn more

Learn more about the Ticket program at **[www.ssa.gov/work](https://www.ssa.gov/work)**

Call the **Ticket to Work Help Line** at **1-866-968-7842** or **1-866-833-2867 (TTY)** Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. ET.

Find providers on your own with the **Find Help tool** at **[choosework.ssa.gov/findhelp](https://choosework.ssa.gov/findhelp)**.

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