KNOW YOUR RIGHTS

What is SSI?
- SSI is a program that provides cash assistance for disabled persons who meet certain financial conditions
- Unlike SSDI, SSI is not based on work history
- Provides up to $783/month for an individual.
- An individual who receives SSI does not automatically qualify for Medicaid in OK.

How to Apply
- In Person at a local Social Security Office
- By Mail – Pick up application at Social Security Office or print from online.
- By Phone – Call 1-800-772-1213
- Online – Only if you are applying as a disabled adult
- ***Non-Citizens are eligible, but must meet certain additional conditions***

Ineligible if:
- Have an outstanding warrant for your arrest
- You are in jail
- You leave the country for more than 30 days

SUPPLEMENTAL SECURITY INCOME

Eligibility – Disability under 65
- Disability must completely impair your ability to work and must be expected to last longer than 1 year.
- Must demonstrate that your disability makes it impossible for you to work (you will need to work with your doctor on the application).
- Short-term or partial disability does not qualify.
- “Child”
  - No minimum age
  - May count income and assets of parents
  - Will need to re-apply at age 18
  - College students are included until age 22

Eligibility – Over 65
- If you are over 65 and meet the income and asset requirements, you qualify.
- You are not required to have a disability if you are over age 65.

Eligibility – Financial Need
- Limits placed on both income and assets.
- Single = $750/month and less than $2,000 in assets
- Married = $1,200/month and less than $3,000 in assets
- Income and assets that count toward the limit:
  - Income from a job, unemployment or retirement benefits
  - Income from a spouse, parent, or sponsor
  - Money in checking or savings accounts
- Income that does not count:
  - SNAP Benefits
  - Grants or scholarships or loans (like student loans)
  - Tribal assistance
  - Your home + 1 car
  - Some income from a job

Information to Apply
- Date & Place of Birth
- SSN
- Same info for current and former spouses
- Detailed information about your medical condition
  - More information is better! Have your doctor help!
- Information about your job, if you work