

# Rep Payee Program Guide for Beneficiaries

What's a rep payee?

A rep payee is a person or an organization who helps you with managing your money.

What's a beneficiary?

A beneficiary is any person who receives financial benefits from Social Security. Your benefits may be called "Social Security", "SSI", or "SSDI".

How does my rep payee help me?

A rep payee can help you with many of your financial needs. Some examples include:



Paying for housing and utilities



Buying personal care items



Buying food and groceries



Paying for clothes



Paying for entertainment



Paying for doctor and dentist payments



Paying for therapy or other treatments



Tracking your spending



Saving your money

Your payee helps you to maintain your benefits over the long-term. They also help to keep Social Security updated, so that you don't lose your benefits. It's important that you let your payee know of any important changes in your life.

## Remember to tell your payee if you...



Get a job or stop working



Take a trip outside of the US



Get married



Go to the hospital



Move to a new place



Go to jail or prison

## What can I do if I'm having problems with my payee?

1. Talk to them about the problem.

2. Ask them about how your money is being spent and about your budget.

3. Contact Social Security:  
1 (800)772-1213; 1 (800)325-0778 (TTY).

To learn more about the SSA's Rep Payee Program, go to:

<https://www.ssa.gov/payee/bene.htm>

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