Get Your Benefit Verification Online with my Social Security

Social Security is with you through life’s journey, providing tools and information to help secure today and tomorrow for you and your family. Our online services allow you to do business with us from the comfort of your home at your convenience. You can get the up-to-date information you need online without sitting in traffic or waiting in lines or on the phone.

There may come a time, like when applying for a mortgage, loan, or housing, when you need proof of your retirement, disability, Supplemental Security Income (SSI), or Medicare benefits. We can provide you with a benefit verification letter, sometimes called a “budget letter,” a “benefits letter,” a “proof of income letter,” or a “proof of award letter.” You may also need proof that you have never received Social Security benefits or SSI or proof that you have applied for benefits.

You can get a benefit verification letter online instantly by using your personal my Social Security account. If you don’t have an account, you can create one today. It’s easy, convenient and secure. To set up your account, visit www.socialsecurity.gov/myaccount and select, “Sign In or Create an Account.” You will need to provide some personal information to verify your identity, choose a username and password, and follow the rest of the steps to finish creating your account.

Once you create your account, scroll down to the Benefits & Payments section and choose “get benefit verification letter” where you can instantly view, print, or save your official letter. It takes only a few minutes. Because protecting you and your identity is important, we use strict identity verification and security features. Your information is secure with us.

With your personal my Social Security account, you can do a lot more. If you receive benefits, you can:

- Check your benefit and payment information and your earnings record;
- Change your address and phone number;
- Start or change direct deposit of your benefit payment;
- Request a replacement Medicare card; and
- Get a replacement SSA-1099 or SSA-1042S for tax season.

If you do not receive benefits, you can:

- Check the status of your application or appeal.
- Get your Social Security Statement, to review estimates of your future retirement, disability, and survivors benefits. You can view your earnings to verify the amounts that we posted are correct. You can also see the estimated Social Security and Medicare taxes you’ve paid.

In a growing number of areas, you can also use your personal my Social Security account to request a replacement Social Security card, as long as you meet certain requirements. Visit www.socialsecurity.gov/myaccount to learn about those today.

Your personal my Social Security account is the fastest, most efficient way to get your benefit verification letter.
Homeowner to obtain and provide a benefit verification for all adult members of the household when applying for ADFA's Disaster Recovery Housing Assistance Loan Program.