

WHERE DO I APPLY?

At the Social Security Administration Office nearest you.
The addresses are as follows:

**970 Broad Street
Newark, NJ**

**193 Avon Avenue
Newark, NJ**

**686 Nye Avenue
Irvington, NJ**

**68 So. Harrison Avenue
East Orange, NJ**

**396 Bloomfield Avenue
Montclair, NJ**

The toll free telephone number is:

1-800-722-1213



**COUNTY OF ESSEX
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Benefits In Essex County

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WHAT IS SUPPLEMENTAL SECURITY INCOME?

The Supplemental Security Income (SSI) Program provides financial assistance and Medicaid to financially needy aged (65 or over) blind or disabled individuals. This program is administered by the Social Security Administration..

**HOW MUCH INCOME AND RESOURCES CAN
I HAVE AND STILL BE ELIGIBLE?**

The income and resource standards vary according to your living arrangements as described below.

If you live in a nursing home, you may be eligible if your total gross monthly income is less than \$1,536, and if the total value of your **RE-SOURCE** such as cash on hand and money in the bank is **NOT MORE THAN \$2,000**.

If you live in a **Boarding Home**, you may be eligible if your total gross monthly income is less than the following amounts:

<u>MONTHLY INCOME</u>	<u>NUMBER IN FAMILY</u>
\$531.25	1
\$776.36	2

There is nor resource maximum for this living arrangement.

If you live in **your own home**, you may be eligible if your total gross monthly income and the total value of all of your **RESOURCES** such as cash on hand and money in the bank are less than the following amounts.

<u>MONTHLY INCOME</u>	<u>NUMBER IN FAMILY</u>	<u>RESOURCES</u>
\$543.25	1	\$ 2,000
794.36	2	3,000

If you live in the household of another person, you may be eligible if your total gross monthly income is less than the following amounts:

<u>MONTHLY INCOME</u>	<u>NUMBER IN FAMILY</u>
\$377.65	1
587.09	2
587.10	3

Resource maximum for this living arrangement \$2,000.

**WHAT DO I NEED TO APPLY FOR
SUPPLEMENTAL SECURITY INCOME?**

When applying for Supplemental Security Income you will be asked to provide documents concerning your situation. If you have any of the documents listed below, bring them with you when you come to the office. If you do not have them ask the worker to help you obtain the ones you need.

- BIRTH CERTIFICATE
- SOCIAL SECURITY CARD
- PROOF OF SERIOUS ILLNESS,
DISABILITY OR BLINDNESS
- COPIES OF LIFE INSURANCE POLICIES
- SOCIAL SECURITY AWARD LETTER
- COPY OF DEED OF PROPERTY OWNED
- ALIEN REGISTRATION, PASSPORT, VISA
- COPIES OF HEALTH INSURANCE CARDS
- COPY OF PRE-PAID BURIAL CONTRACT,
PLOT, FUNDS

WHAT ARE MY RESPONSIBILITIES?

To help the Social Security agency obtain information needed to determine your eligibility and amount of benefits.

To notify the Social Security agency when you or any family member moves, gets a job or experiences any change in income, resources or circumstances.

NOT MEETING ANY OF THESE RESPONSIBILITIES COULD MEAN THAT YOUR SUPPLEMENTAL SECURITY INCOME BENEFITS WILL BE DENIED, REDUCED OR STOPPED