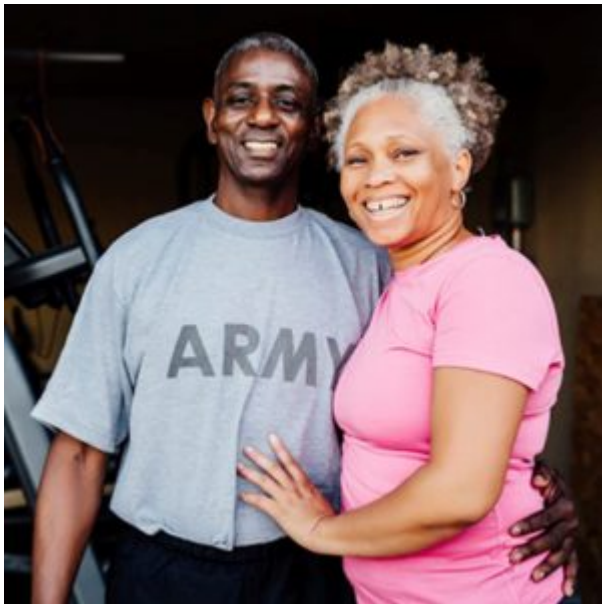


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[Social Security: Supporting Veterans and Active Duty Military Members](#)



Social Security has resources for veterans who served our country and risked their lives to protect us.

Our [Wounded Warriors](#) webpage is an important resource for military members who return home with injuries. If you know a wounded veteran, please let them know about our [Wounded Warriors](#) webpage.

The page shares information about our Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI) benefits for veterans, including:

- How SSDI benefits are different from benefits available through the Department of Veterans Affairs and require a separate application.
- How we expedite the processing of Social Security disability claims for service members. If they develop a disability while on active military service on or after October 1, 2001, they can file a disability claim regardless of where the disability occurs.
- Answers to questions asked about Social Security.

If active-duty military service members are unable to work due to a disabling condition and continue to receive pay while in a hospital or on medical leave, they should consider applying for SSDI. Active-duty status and receipt of military pay doesn't necessarily prevent payment of SSDI benefits.

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