

for example, whether the cost of certain impairment-related expenses and services that you need to work can be deducted from your gross earnings when deciding if your work is SGA.

The first time you work above SGA in the EPE, Social Security will decide that you no longer meet the requirements for disability due to work. At that point, your disability will be considered “ceased”. Social Security will pay benefits for the month your disability ceased and the following two months. This is the grace period. If your earnings fall below SGA and you are still in the 36-month re-entitlement period, Social Security can restart your benefits without a new application.



Expedited Reinstatement (EXR), acts as a safety net for people who successfully return to work and lose their entitlement to benefits. If you need to stop working because of a medical impairment that's the same as or related to your original disabling impairment within 5 years of when your benefits stopped, EXR makes it possible for you to have your benefits start again without needing to submit a new application.

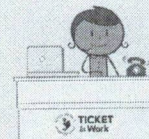
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For more employment resources and job support, Social Security's Ticket to Work (Ticket) Program can help. The Ticket Program supports career development for people ages 18 through 64 who receive Social Security disability benefits (SSDI/SSI) and want to work. This free and voluntary program offers services and supports designed to help people with disabilities reach their career goals.

Many Ticket Program service providers have a certified **Benefits Counselor** on staff who can help you learn more about your public benefits and the Work Incentives that apply to you. You can also learn more in Social Security's Red Book at www.ssa.gov/redbook.

To find a provider that is best for you, call the Ticket to Work **Help Line** at **1-866-968-7842** or **1-866-833-2867** (TTY), Monday through Friday, 8 a.m.

to 8 p.m. ET. A call representative will refer you to your local Work Incentives Planning and Assistance (WIPA) project or send a list of Employment Networks to help you get started. Or find providers on your own with the Find Help tool at choosework.ssa.gov/findhelp.



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