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Social Security Administration announces new outreach tools

The Social Security Administration has announced new resources to reach vulnerable populations, including people with low incomes, limited English proficiency, mental illness and those facing homelessness.

Working with advocates and community-based organizations, the agency has announced tools allowing people to gain access to information and services with a specific emphasis on applying for Supplemental Security Income (SSI) and Social Security Disability Income (SSDI) benefits.

The Social Security Administration has a long history of outreach and coordination with advocates and community-based organizations across the nation. During the COVID-19 pandemic, continuing to work with advocates and community-based organizations is essential to reaching the country's most vulnerable populations, including individuals with low income, limited English proficiency, mental illness, or those facing homelessness. The agency is fully committed to assisting people in gaining access to the information and services they need with a specific emphasis on applying for Supplemental Security Income (SSI) and Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI) benefits.

To ensure effective outreach to these vulnerable populations who need access to agency programs, and to the advocates and organizations who can help to connect people with Social Security, the agency launched a na-

tional campaign to raise awareness of the SSI and SSDI programs and encourage people to apply. Campaign efforts include:

A new webpage, [People Helping Others](http://www.socialsecurity.gov/thirdparty), at www.socialsecurity.gov/thirdparty, for anyone who could assist another person with accessing Social Security's programs and services;

A new outreach website, at www.socialsecurity.gov/thirdparty/groups/vulnerable-populations.html where all partner groups can access informational materials to share through their networks, including resources tailored to specific vulnerable populations;

An updated [Faith-Based and Community Groups](http://www.socialsecurity.gov/thirdparty/groups/faithandcommunity.html) website at www.socialsecurity.gov/thirdparty/groups/faithandcommunity.html with a new outreach toolkit and SSI and SSDI fact sheets. The agency coordinated this effort with the White House, and the White House Office of Faith-Based and Neighborhood Partnerships is helping to promote these resources; and

An upcoming national advertising campaign to support all outreach efforts on TV, radio, and social media, with special emphasis on children with disabilities (see the recently redesigned website focused on SSI for children at www.socialsecurity.gov/benefits/disability/apply-child.html). TV and radio PSAs highlighting SSI for children currently are being tested in the Dallas, Tex., area to determine their impact.

The agency is now completing training videos for community-based caseworkers to help their clients with the SSI application process.

People can apply for SSI benefits, and for other benefit programs, through a telephone appointment with the agency, even while local offices are not able to accept walk-in visitors. More people need to be made aware of the SSI program and reminded that they can call toll-free 1-800-772-1213, or their local Social Security office, to make a phone appointment to apply for SSI. People who are deaf or hard of hearing may call Social Security's TTY number, 1-800-325-0778.

From the Blotter

Dennis Baker, 40, of Milford, was arrested after police checked out with him at 10:52 p.m. Sunday for riding his bicycle without a light in the 300 block of East Maple. Upon investigation, police said he had methamphetamine and drug paraphernalia on his person.

He was charged with possession of each and taken to the Public Safety Building in Danville to await arraignment.

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Letters to the Editor

Education options offered

The following is from me personally. I serve as a writer for both a state religious group and a local group of concerned citizens. This is not a critique of our local school board necessarily, as they are sadly being forced by state directors to implement massive changes. Nor is this a judgment of individual educators. The group of those interested in positive change in our community is interested in the welfare of every child, their education and creating a well-rounded and loving young person who can be a blessing in culture. I love all people regardless of their personal choices, but choices have consequences.

Whereas the Illinois Department of Education has grieved the Holy Spirit, violated our sacred religious liberty according to the First Amendment of the US Constitution, and chosen liberal and theoretical indoctrination over academic education by promoting LGBT curriculum with required testing,

And whereas they have attacked the one true Biblical God and human sexuality as defined by Jesus Christ in Mathew 19:4,

Be it therefore resolved that a meeting will be held at First Baptist Hoopeston Gymnasium, tentative for Satur-

Girls volleyball roundup

The Lady Cornjerkers defeated Georgetown-Ridge Farm, 25-12, 25-16 on March 19. Freshman Kaitlynn Lange had four aces, sophomore Bre Crose had 15 assists and senior Emma Glotzbach had five kills. Senior Logan Robinson contributed two solo blocks and an ace.

The ladies hosted Salt Fork on March 23 and were defeated, 15-25, 25-20, 12-25.

Thursday, the team traveled to Oakwood, where they defeated the Comets 25-14, 25-13 in a total team effort, said Coach Brad Jones.

The win puts the team at 2-3 this season. They were scheduled to play Monday at Danville.

Cornjerker kickers drop to GRF/W

Georgetown Ridge Farm/Westville soccer team defeated the Cornjerkers 4-2 on March 22. At the 27:30 in the first half GRF/W got on the board with a goal by Luke Barney. Seven minutes later, the Buffalos' Jace Bina scored his first of three goals on the night with the assist with Nathan Blue. Bina made the score 3-0 with just under 12 minutes in the first half. Ben Brown scored both of the Cornjerker goals late in the first half to make the Cornjerkers within one goal at half.

Bina scored the only goal in the second half.

day, April 10 at 2PM, to assist Hoopeston area parents in alternative education. Two programs are available, including an inexpensive and academically superior home-school cooperative, as well as a second option providing transportation to FBC Danville Christian School. These program credits are fully transferable to colleges and universities. We will provide personnel to answer questions. Refreshments will be provided.

State Representative Dave Severin, who served as President of the Benton Elementary School Board for nearly 20 years said, "The Culturally Responsive Teacher and Leader Standards proposed by the Illinois State Board of Education require all teachers to admit that they are somehow preprogrammed with inherent bias. The rules go further and ask teachers to take steps to mitigate these pre-supposed biases. This is offensive to the thousands of good-hearted public educators serving our students every day. I am not for the political indoctrination of our teachers."

I agree with Mr. Severin but would like to clarify that. Indeed, everyone does have a bias. I say this in a loving and caring spirit. Many State Board of Education members are the ones with a bias against God, bias against our Constitution, bias against Christian families, and bias against the blood of our Veterans who have fought to preserve our First Amendment rights.

Liberal activists don't have the right to define morality, truth and love. That is not why we pay them tax money. That is the role of the parents. Parents know their children and care about their children more than Chicago liberals care. Furthermore, whomever was responsible for telling those Hoopeston kids a couple years ago that they couldn't fly the American flag as they wished in the school parking lot ought to be ashamed of themselves. I noticed the students were reprimanded and were assigned parking spots the next school year. Whichever of you was responsible for creating false shame against our youth, you are the one that should feel shame. Is this really the kind of unpatriotic, unthankful thinking we want to instill in our young people?

If state or local public school administrators want re-

Weather

Breezy, sunny, chance of rain today. High 66. Tonight, rain likely. Low 35. Tomorrow, mostly sunny. High 46, low 25.

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spect from our community, I suggest they show our veterans a little respect, and many do. If this offends anyone too bad, our citizens don't answer to a corrupt school union, you answer to us. I am also thankful for our great

public school educators who still respect parental authority and religious freedom, but the numbers are shrinking.

Adam Taubert
Hoopeston

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The City of Hoopeston Police Department is accepting applications to establish a two-year eligibility list for the position of POLICE OFFICER. The application deadline is April 16, 2021 at 4 p.m. Apply in person at the Hoopeston Police Dept. 301 W. Main St. Hoopeston, IL 60942 or on-line www.cityofhoopeston.com Applicants will be notified by the police commission of the testing procedures for May 8th at 9 a.m.

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