



MISSION

Community Advocates' Disability Services Advocacy provides information, representation, referral and advocacy for individuals seeking Social Security disability benefits. In addition to direct representation on disability benefits appeals, our advocates work to ensure that clients have access to the resources and services they need to live in dignity during the appeals process and beyond.

Community Advocates' staff also conduct trainings on disability-related issues, participate in community coalitions addressing health care and disability matters, and advocate for policy and systemic change in support of people with disabilities and their families.

For more information about our Disability Services Advocacy, call us (414) 449-4777.

REPRESENTATION FEES

Community Advocates charges the statutory fee for disability claims representation. Please note that Social Security attorney and non-attorney representatives may charge a fee for representation not to exceed 25 percent of any retroactive benefit payment a claimant receives, but such fee may not exceed \$6,000. No fee may be collected if the claim is ultimately denied. For more information about our fee agreement, call us at (414) 449-4777.



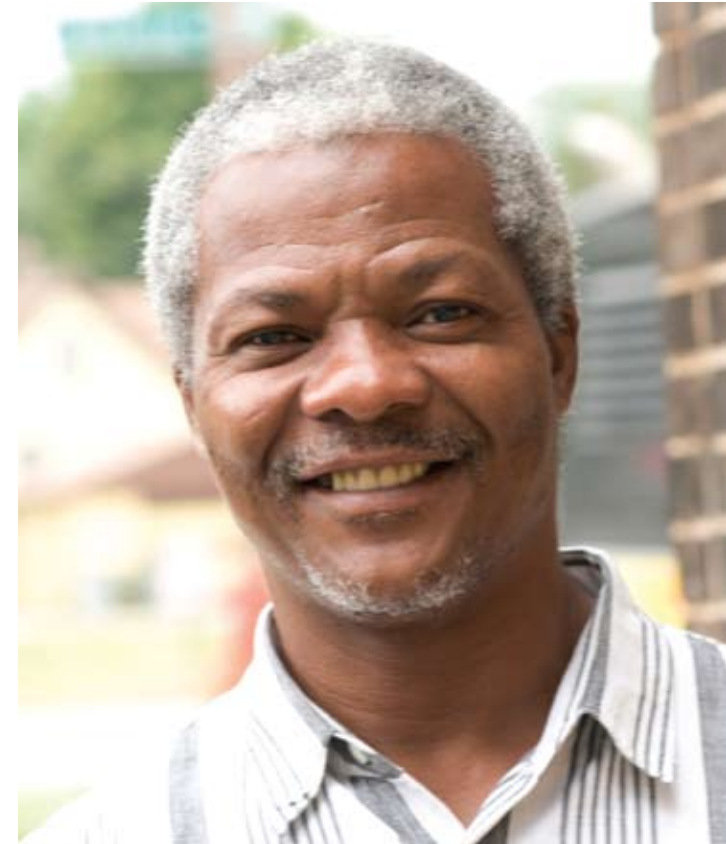
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Disability Services

Providing Resources, Representation and Advocacy for the Disabled

1 I NEED TO APPLY FOR SOCIAL SECURITY DISABILITY BENEFITS

You can apply for Social Security disability benefits:

- **In person at your local Social Security field office.**
To find the office nearest you call (800) 772-1213.
- **Online at ssa.gov/applyfordisability**
You must complete both an application and an Adult Disability and Work History Report.
- If you wish to apply for Supplemental Security Income (SSI), you can complete the Adult Disability and Work History report online, but you must complete the application in person or over the phone. For more information call (800) 772-1213.

2 I HAVE RECEIVED A DENIAL LETTER AND WOULD LIKE REPRESENTATION TO APPEAL

Community Advocates provides representation to individuals who have received a denial letter from Social Security. However, our resources are limited and we are unable to provide representation in all cases. If you are an adult who has received a denial from Social Security and wishes to appeal, or a parent or guardian wishing to file an appeal on behalf of a minor child, please call us at (414) 449-4777.

3 WHAT IF I DECIDE TO RETAIN A REPRESENTATIVE FROM COMMUNITY ADVOCATES?

If after talking with you we determine that we are able to represent you, we will set up a time for you to come in for an intake appointment. **We regret that we are unable to see Social Security Disability clients without appointments.**

When you come in, you will need to bring the following documentation and/or information with you:

- **Copies of all correspondence you have received from Social Security**, including any denial letters
- **Documentation of your condition**, including medical records, treatment notes, test results or prescriptions.
- **A list of all doctors, therapists, specialists and other health care providers** you have seen related to the condition(s) which prevent you from working.
- **A list of your current medications**, both prescription and over-the-counter.
- **A list of all your employers** for the past 15 years.
- **Any additional information** you feel will assist us in evaluating your claim.



For more information on disability benefits, visit Social Security Online at www.ssa.gov/disability