



## SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION

The Social Security Administration (SSA) provides essential benefits to retirees, survivors, individuals with disabilities, and older Americans with limited income and resources. The President's 2023 Budget for SSA invests in improving service delivery, advancing equity, and promoting program integrity.

The Budget requests \$14.8 billion in discretionary funding for SSA, a \$1.8 billion or 14-percent increase from the 2021 enacted level, including funding for program integrity activities.

### The President's 2023 Budget:

- **Improves Service Delivery.** Each year, SSA processes more than six million retirement, survivors, and Medicare claims, as well as more than two million disability and Supplemental Security Income claims. The Budget provides an increase of \$1.6 billion, or 14 percent over the 2021 enacted level, to improve services at SSA's field offices, State disability determination services, and teleservice centers for retirees, individuals with disabilities, and their families who rely on the Agency. The Budget also improves access to SSA's services by adding staff to speed disability claims processing and reduce wait times.
- **Advances Equity and Accessibility.** SSA remains committed to breaking down barriers to access experienced by people who rely on its services, including individuals experiencing homelessness, children with disabilities, and people with mental and intellectual disabilities. The Budget makes investments to decrease customer wait times, simplify application processes, and increase outreach to people who are difficult to reach. SSA will also continue to modernize its information technology systems to make more services available online and improve 800 Number access.
- **Promotes Program Integrity.** The Budget includes \$1.8 billion, \$224 million above the 2021 enacted level, for dedicated program integrity activities to promote responsible spending of Social Security funds and ensure that the Agency is providing the correct benefit amounts only to those who qualify. These funds also support actions to investigate and help prosecute fraud.