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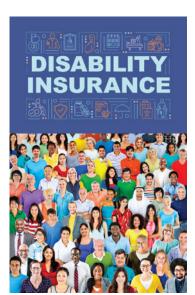


Eligibility for SSDI for Non-US Citizens and Those Residing Outside the U.S.

Are you a non-U.S. citizen, working and living as a permanent resident in the U.S.? If yes, you are also eligible to receive Social Security Disability (SSDI) benefits like U.S. citizens. However, you must ensure that you have permission to work in the U.S. and have a valid Social Security number.

Here are some important points you should know about, in order to qualify for SSDI:

- The worker should fall into one of the disability categories defined by the Social Security Administration (SSA). The SSA has a medical guidebook that contains details about the various disabilities that qualify for SSDI benefits.
- The worker should have been working in the U.S. for a long enough duration and contributing to the Social Security program by paying social security taxes in the U.S.
- The SSA will pay benefits to the worker or qualifying members of the worker's family, if he/she has a disability that makes them unable to work for at least 12 months or is expected to result in death.
- For more information on SSDI for non-U.S. residents, check the <u>Social Security Disability Help website</u> and SSA's Benefit Eligibility Screening Tool.



Filing for SSDI benefits can be a little complex for non-U.S. citizens. There are some additional requirements that must be met.

- It is essential that the worker must be legally present and working in the U.S. for the duration of month(s) the disability is being claimed in order to receive SSDI benefits.
- The worker must have a B-1, D-1 or D-1 nonimmigrant visa.
- In case the worker's Social Security number was issued on or post 1/2/2004, the number should be backed by an authorization to work in the U.S.

Certain non-US citizens might also qualify for Supplemental Security Income (SSI). In order to receive SSI, the individual must fall into any of the following categories:

- Lawful permanent residents (LPRs) who have worked in the U.S. for about ten (10) years and have satisfied a 5-year waiting period since their entry into the U.S.
- · Lawfully residing individuals since August 1996 who are now blind or disabled.
- Honorably discharged veterans or active members of the US Armed forces who are lawful residents of the U.S.
- Refugees, asylum seekers, abused spouses and children, and immigrants from some countries are eligible for SSI for a limited duration not exceeding seven (7) years.

Residing Outside the U.S. May Affect SSDI Benefits

Generally, U.S. citizens who reside outside the U.S. may continue to receive their SSDI benefits. However, the SSA prohibits from sending payments to certain countries like Cuba, North Korea, Cambodia, Vietnam, and many of the countries that were part of the former Soviet Union.

If you have queries or uncertainty regarding any aspect of SSDI, consult an experienced <u>attorney</u>. The <u>Kenton Koszdin Law Office</u> can help you navigate through the often complication disability process with ease and the best possible outcome for you and your family.

How to Report Unsafe Working Conditions?

Hazardous work conditions are ones that pose a risk to anyone who is supposed to be at the workplace. These circumstances could make it difficult for employees to accomplish their jobs and endanger their safety and well-being. Employers are responsible for ensuring that there are no known hazards in the workplace.

WHAT DOES OSHA DO?

To make sure companies achieve this objective, the Occupational Safety and Health Administration, abbreviated as OSHA, offers workplace safety guidelines and training. It is widely understood that when an employer violates these regulations, they are not creating a secure workplace for their resources, putting them at risk of injuries, health issues and even fatalities.

WORKPLACE HAZARDS

Some common workplace hazards encompass the following:

 Safety Hazards: These risks result in hazardous working circumstances. For instance, a fire hazard could be caused by faulty electrical equipment.



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History of the Hollywood Bowl

Which venue in the U.S. is known as the culmination point for music and performance? You got that right – the Hollywood Bowl, in Los Angeles, California, is the central destination where entertainers and performers have held their most iconic and celebrated performances.

Over the past 100 years, the outdoor amphitheater that can house close to 18,000 people has cemented itself as an important part of LA's heritage and culture.

Here are some interesting facts about the massive Hollywood Bowl:

- It started with the search for Hollywoods first outdoor community theater that could accommodate large-scale performances and officially opened in 1922. Theater Arts Alliance assigned the responsibility of finding a suitable location to William Reed and his son H. Ellis Reed.
- The Bowl, as called by the locals, is settled at the foot of Hollywood Hills on Highland Avenue, with the famous Hollywood sign clearly visible in the background.
- While the venue has undergone 4 major renovations, it has maintained it's distinctive bandshell design. The structure of the bowl is due to the natural curve of the in that location. The longest period of time it held a design style was from 1929 to 2003. Its current from was constructed in 2004.
- It has been featured in several movies such as Double Indemnity, A Star is Born (the 1937 version), Some Kind of Wonderful and more.
- It has seen the likes of Judy Garland, Bob Dylan, The Beatles, Barbra Streisand, The Doors, Prince, Elton John, Cher, Kanye West, Lady Gaga and more.
- It has shaped the careers of numerous artists, debutants, and well-known performers, some of whom return to experience and relive the awe that the Bowl has to offer.
- It has many credits to its name, including being one of the top live music venues in the world!
- · A concert out in the open, under the starry sky, is a unique summer attraction for LA's locals and visitors alike.
- While entering the grounds, the first building visible to visitors is the Hollywood Bowl Museum. What started as a "Tea Room" became a museum in 1984 to exhibit and share the historical journey of the iconic venue.

In May 2020, for the first time in 98 years, the Hollywood Bowl season was canceled due to the pandemic. While some performances took place following social distancing and other COVID-19 safety protocols, it was officially re-opened in May 2021. Since then, music and entertainment have been vibrant, attracting thousands of people to LA's famous Hollywood Bowl.



If you or a loved one has been denied Workers' Compensation or Social Security Disability (SSDI) benefits, it's important to get an attorney experienced in these types of cases involved immediately. Call 800-438-7734 for your initial free consultation, either in our office or in the comfort of your own home. The Kenton Koszdin Law Office, Social Security attorney in Van Nuys, can help you navigate the application process for the best possible outcome for you and your family.



Recipe of the Month: Chicken and Stuffing Casserole

Ingredients

- · 1 c. salted butter, divided
- 1 c. chopped onion
- · 1 c. chopped carrot
- 1 c. chopped celery
- 1/2 c. all-purpose flour
- · 6 c. low-sodium chicken broth, divided
- 4 1/2 c. shredded cooked chicken
- 1 c. frozen peas
- 1/2 c. heavy cream
- · 1 tbsp. chopped fresh thyme
- 3/4 tsp. salt
- 1 tsp. pepper
- 1/4 tsp. ground turmeric
- Nonstick cooking spray
- 2 6-oz. packages Savory Herb flavored stuffing mix
- 1/4 c. chopped fresh parsley, plus more for garnish



Directions

Preheat the oven to 375°. Melt 1/2 cup of the butter in a Dutch oven over medium high heat. Add the onion, carrot, and celery, and cook until vegetables are beginning to soften, about 3 minutes. Sprinkle the flour over the vegetable mixture and cook, stirring frequently, for 1 minute.

Gradually stir in 4 cups of chicken broth. Bring to a boil, then reduce the heat to medium-low. Simmer, stirring often, for about 5 minutes or until the sauce begins to thicken. Stir in the chicken, peas, heavy cream, thyme, salt, pepper, and turmeric. Return to a simmer and cook for 3 more minutes.

Spray a 13-by-9-inch baking dish with nonstick spray and pour in the filling. Place the remaining 1/2 cup of butter in a large, microwave safe bowl. Cover and cook on high for 1 minute to melt. Stir in the stuffing mix, remaining 2 cups of chicken broth, and 1/4 cup parsley. Let stand 2 minutes or until stuffing mix has absorbed the broth.

Top the chicken mixture evenly with the stuffing mixture. Bake for 30-35 minutes or until golden brown on top and bubbly around the edges. Let stand 15 minutes. Sprinkle with additional chopped parsley before serving.



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What's Happening In Van Nuys & Southern California

Nov 14 - 15 Harry Styles KIA Forum

Nov 20 Women's Cancer Run –

Woodley Park

<u>5K</u>

Nov 25 – 27

A Magical Cirque
Christmas
Dolby Theatre

Nov 29 - Dec 18

<u>Annie</u>

Dolby Theatre

Dec 2 iHeartRadio Jingle Ball KAI Forum

Dec 15 – 17Harry Connick, Jr.
Pantages Theatre



