**SOCIAL SECURITY**

Plain Language Talking Points

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**What is the problem?**

* Many people with disabilities rely on Social Security or Supplemental Security Income (SSI).
* Social Security and SSI have not been updated in many years.
* Congress needs to update Social Security and SSI to work better for people with disabilities.

**Why it matters to me:**

* I get Social Security / SSI. The money from Social Security /SSI helps me pay rent and buy food and other things I need.
* My family member gets Social Security / SSI. They rely on those benefits to live in their own house with their friends.
* Social Security and SSI benefits help millions of people with disabilities.

**What should Congress do?**

* Congress should reject any cuts to Social Security or SSI, including any proposals to cut benefits or limit who can qualify.
* Congress should pass the SSI Restoration Act, the Stop the Wait Act, and the Social Security 2100 Act.
* Congress should also strengthen Social Security and SSI by addressing SGA levels, marriage penalties, and other critical issues for people with disabilities.