

With You Through Life's Journey...

African Americans

We are with you from day one, with baby names and benefits for your children.



From your first job to your last, your employer verifies your Social Security number with us to help reduce fraud and allow us to keep track of your earnings history to ensure you get the benefits you deserve. It's vital that you work at least 10 years to qualify for Social Security. Keep track of your earnings record by creating a *my* Social Security account. www.socialsecurity.gov/myaccount



If you legally change your name due to marriage, divorce, or any other reason, let us know so you can get an updated Social Security card — and so we can accurately keep track of your earnings. There's no charge for a Social Security card.



If the unexpected happens, we are there with disability benefits for you and your dependents.



In 2014, among African Americans receiving Social Security,

 **30%** of elderly married couples and

 **50%** of unmarried elderly persons relied on Social Security for

90% or more of their income. \$



Just over 1-in-4 of today's 20-year-olds will become disabled before reaching age 67.

If you lose your soul mate, we are there with benefits to help you get through the difficult time.



Securing today and tomorrow

We help you plan for retirement with tools like *my* Social Security, the *Retirement Estimator*, and our online retirement application.

With many people living below the poverty line, it is important to know that Social Security administers the *Supplemental Security Income* (SSI) program. The SSI program is a different program that provides income support to disabled children and people who are age 65 or older, blind, or disabled who have low income and resources. U.S. Treasury general funds, not the Social Security trust funds, pay for SSI.