

## Supplemental Security Income (SSI) Restoration Act

Sample Social Media Posts: SSI Restoration Act

**Background:** Reps. Raúl M. Grijalva (D-AZ), Jan Schakowsky (D-IL), and Elissa Slotkin (D-MI) reintroduced the *Supplemental Security Income (SSI) Restoration Act*. Nearly 8 million Americans, over the age of 65 or with significant disabilities, rely on SSI benefits to meet their basic needs. Currently, SSI benefits provide an average income that is below the poverty line.

With the program being largely unchanged since its inception in 1972, the *SSI Restoration Act* makes critical updates to keep beneficiaries out of poverty. The bill modernizes and improves SSI by streamlining and simplifying the claiming process, expanding the resources and income limits, setting the minimum benefit at 100 percent of the Federal Poverty Level, and eliminating punitive reductions in benefits.

An Urban Institute [report highlighted](#) that the SSI Restoration Act would lift approximately 3.3 million people out of poverty and cut the poverty rate among SSI recipients by more than half. It would also target a population experiencing serious economic hardship including children and adults with disabilities, older Americans, people of color, and those likely to develop a disability and meet SSI's strict financial requirements.

### Hashtags:

#UpdateSSI

### Tweets for groups:

1. According to the Urban Institute, passing the SSI Restoration Act would strengthen SSI, lift 3.3 million people out of poverty and cut the poverty rate among SSI recipients in half.

It's time for Congress to pass the SSI Restoration Act and #UpdateSSI.

2. Congress has failed to make basic updates to SSI to ensure the program does what it was intended—meet basic needs for blind, disabled, and aged people who otherwise go without. It's time for Congress to pass the SSI Restoration Act and #UpdateSSI.
3. Per an Urban Institute report, increasing the SSI federal benefit to the federal poverty level will lift over 3.3 million people out of poverty.

It's time for Congress to finally act to #UpdateSSI and pass the SSI Restoration Act.

4. SSI rules effectively force recipients to live below the poverty line, leading to homelessness, hunger, and illness among older adults and persons with disabilities.

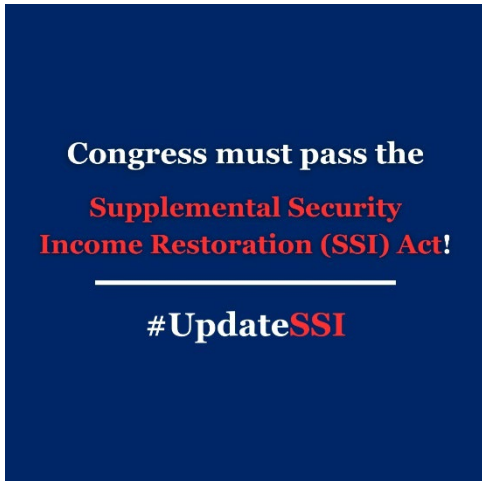
It's time for Congress to #UpdateSSI to serve our nation's lowest-income seniors and people with disabilities.

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