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Get a Social Security Card

You can get an original Social Security card or a replacement card if yours is lost or stolen. There is no fee for a new or replacement Social Security card. Social Security has a limit of three replacement cards, but that limit can be waived if the Social Security card is required for essential services like housing.

IF YOU WERE BORN IN THE UNITED STATES

To get an original or replacement Social Security card, you will need to prove your U.S. citizenship, your age, and your identity. The most common documentation of these is a birth certificate and a valid driver's license or state identification card. If you do not have these documents, you can provide alternative documents. Call Social Security at 1-800-772-1213 to get a list of these documents or go to their website for more details:

<https://www.ssa.gov/ssnumber/ss5doc.htm>

IF YOU WERE BORN OUTSIDE OF THE UNITED STATES

If you are not a citizen, or a United States citizen who was born outside of the United States, you will need to provide different documents to Social Security to obtain an original or replacement Social Security card. To get the most complete information, call Social Security at 1-800-772-1213 or go to the Social Security website:

<https://www.ssa.gov/ssnumber/ss5doc.htm>

APPLICATION

Once you have the required documents, you can either bring them or mail them with a completed application to your closest Social Security Administration office.

In Multnomah County, Oregon, there are two Social Security Administration offices:

Downtown Portland Office

1538 SW Yamhill St.
Portland, OR 97236

Southeast Portland Office

17925 SE Division St.
Portland, OR 97232

It usually takes 10-14 business days to get your Social Security card after you apply. The card is mailed to you.

*For updates or changes to this information please contact Northwest Pilot Project at
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An Application for a Social Security Card you can complete is attached.

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