# Goal: Getting Payments Right

Program or Activity
Supplemental Security Income

Reporting Period Q4 2019

## **Change from Previous FY (\$M)**

-\$203M



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## **SSA**

Supplemental Security Income

### **Brief Program Description:**

**Quarterly Progress Goals** 

The Supplemental Security Income (SSI) program provides financial support to aged, blind, and disabled adults and children who have limited income and resources.

Key I	Milestones	Status	ECD
1	Finalize estimated cash loss estimation methodology	On-Track	Oct-20
2	Identify estimated cash loss amount for FY 2018	On-Track	Oct-20
3	Identify true root causes of cash loss	On-Track	Oct-20
4	Develop mitigation strategies to get the payment right the first time	On-Track	Oct-20
5	Evaluate the ROI of the mitigation strategy	On-Track	Sep-21
6	Determine which strategies have the best ROI to prevent cash loss	On-Track	Sep-21



Notes

1	Q4 2019	Improve myWageReport applications' functionality to increase accurate wage reporting.	On-Track	Enhanced the language and instructions for myWageReport for representative payees to report wages for beneficiaries.	Sep-19
2	Q4 2019	Evaluate outcomes from integrating third party, non-home real property data in the SSI claims system and define a plan and baseline for measuring effectiveness.		SSI ineligibility may result if a recipient owns real property other than his or her principal place of residence and the current equity value exceeds the SSI resource limit.	Oct-19
Recent Accomplishments					
Rece	nt Accom	plishments			Date
Rece 1		the language and instructions for representative payees to report wages for beneficiaries.			Date Sep-19

**Status** 

FY18 Amt(\$)	Root Cause	Root Cause Description	Mitigation Strategy	Anticipated Impact of Mitigation
\$3,541M	Inability to authenticate eligibility: inability to access data	Reliance on timely self-reporting of income and assets affecting SSI payment and eligibility.	Increase the number of successful wage reports received using automated SSI wage reporting systems.	Successful wage reports received timely will reduce overpayments.
\$304M	Inability to authenticate eligibility: reducing benefits amounts for recipients who receive support in replace ISM with a flat-rate benefit reduct		The FY 2020 President's Budget includes a proposal that would replace ISM with a flat-rate benefit reduction for adults living with others. Simplify administration of the SSI Program.	Simplifies the program and reduces reporting burden on recipients and representative payees.
\$184M	Administrative or process errors made by: federal agency	Improper payments caused by incorrect data entry, classifying, or processing of application or payments made by Federal agencies that administer Federal dollars.	Issue period reminders and policy clarifications focused on correct data entry, claims processing and related status, and regulations.	Reduced payment errors related to administrative and processing errors.

Cash Loss - Cash loss to the Government includes amounts that should not have been paid and in theory should/could be recovered.