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The Senior Citizens League is tax-exempt under section 501(c)(4) of the Internal Revenue Service code. Our mission is to educate and alert older Americans about their rights and freedoms as U.S. citizens, to assist and to promote the rights of our supporters, and to work to protect and defend the benefits that older Americans have earned and paid for. We strive to provide our supporters with the best possible service in order to maintain your trust in us. Therefore, we work hard to be responsible in our management and cost-effective in our fundraising. We follow accounting procedures established by the AICPA, are independently audited annually. make our audited financial statement available upon request, and have a dedicated, volunteer Board of Trustees that has control of our funds and the freedom to allocate them in a manner which will carry out the mission of The Senior Citizens League. We support and comply with The Direct Marketing Association's Privacy Promise to consumers. We occasionally rent and/or exchange our supporter files with others to increase our income for programs. If you do not wish to participate in this program simply let us know. We lobby Congress on behalf of older Americans' rights therefore, your contributions or dues are not tax-deductible.

Many people ask how TSCL differs from other advocacy groups. TSCL's sole mission is to advocate for the benefits you earned and paid for and we have no conflicts of interest that cause us to pull our punches. Neither do we accept "grants" from the big pharmaceutical companies as some other groups do.

TSCL is not exclusive to the "Republican" or "Democratic" party. We do not accept government funding and we are not beholden to corporate interests or anyone other than you, our active supporters. In fact, we depend solely on the donations made by supporters who believe that it is important to have a voice in Washington that cannot be bought and will not compromise principles in pursuit of profits.



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Defending Your Earned Benefits





About The Senior Citizens League

The Senior Citizens League (TSCL) is a leading non-profit educational and advocacy organization with about 700,000 active supporters. Our mission is simple, to educate older Americans about their rights and benefits and how TSCL is working to protect those rights and benefits.

(Read on to find out more!)

LEGISLATIVE CONCERNS

How Our Legislative Agenda is Set

As critical issues arise throughout the year, we poll our supporters on our website and through our publications before choosing a position. The results help us form our legislative agenda, which we take up to Capitol Hill and advocate for, tirelessly. To make sure your voice is heard, become a supporter today and participate in our frequent surveys and polls.

The Social Security Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA)

Supporters told us that they felt their Social Security checks were buying less and less each year. We responded with a careful study of the facts and they were right! It has been a little known fact that the annual Social Security COLA, which is supposed to give an annual boost equal to your cost of living increase over the previous year, is seriously flawed. In fact, the government has even maintained statistics that show far more accurately the increase that should be paid to older Americans – and it's higher than the current COLA! We have led the fight for an accurate COLA and partly because of our efforts, legislation now exists that would correct how the COLA is calculated.

Medicare Fraud Prevention

Experts estimate that the Medicare program loses between \$60 and \$90 billion each year to fraud, waste, and abuse. To ensure that scarce program dollars are being spent appropriately, TSCL supports legislation that would ramp up preventive efforts. By increasing efforts to fight fraud, the federal government could save tens of billions of dollars annually, reducing the need for Medicare benefit cuts.

Social Security Reform

The Social Security Trust Fund reserves are projected to face exhaustion in under twenty years, and TSCL believes that returning the program to long-term solvency is essential. TSCL supports comprehensive solutions that would provide beneficiaries with an across-the-board \$70 increase, cut taxes for over 11 million older Americans, and close income tax loopholes for the wealthiest individuals. Proposals in the House and Senate would extend the life of the Social Security program responsibly, without harsh benefit cuts for older Americans. TSCL believes they must be enacted as soon as possible to strengthen and modernize the program.

Immigration Reform

Although current law prohibits the payment of Social Security to illegal immigrants, in coming years loopholes could potentially allow hundreds of thousands to claim Social Security benefits based on illegal work. TSCL believes that as Congress considers far reaching changes to the programs that would raise taxes and cut benefits, Social Security and Medicare should be protected for people who earned their benefits legally.

Internet

You can find lots of helpful information on our website, www.seniorsleague.org. It contains information and facts on Social Security, Medicare, Health, Finance and other topics of interest to older Americans, their families and caregivers. At the website, you can sign up for our free e-mail newsletter. It is designed to keep older Americans informed about Social Security, Medicare and other important topics. It is packed with news on legislation, rule changes, scam alerts, financial and tax tips, money saving news and more.

SUPPORTER BENEFITS

TSCL supporters have access to convenient, money-saving programs and services to help them stretch their retirement savings. Listed here are just a few of those benefits. Visit our website at **www.seniorsleague.org** for more benefit information.

Social Security & Medicare Advisor

Supporters who contribute \$10 or more annually are entitled to receive a one-year subscription. *The Advisor* keeps you abreast of current issues affecting your benefits, savings tips, and human interest stories.

Publications

TSCL makes additional publications available for free to supporters. To request a copy of our Best Ways to Save, Cost-of-Living Adjustment, or a Notch brochure, please call us at 1-800-333-8725, let us know which publications you want, we'll verify your status and send it right out to you.

Discounts

Supporters will receive money off on gift products, dental care, prescription drugs and more!

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about AIM, contact us at 1-800-333-8725
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