



OHIO'S ABLE PLAN

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WHAT IS ABLE?

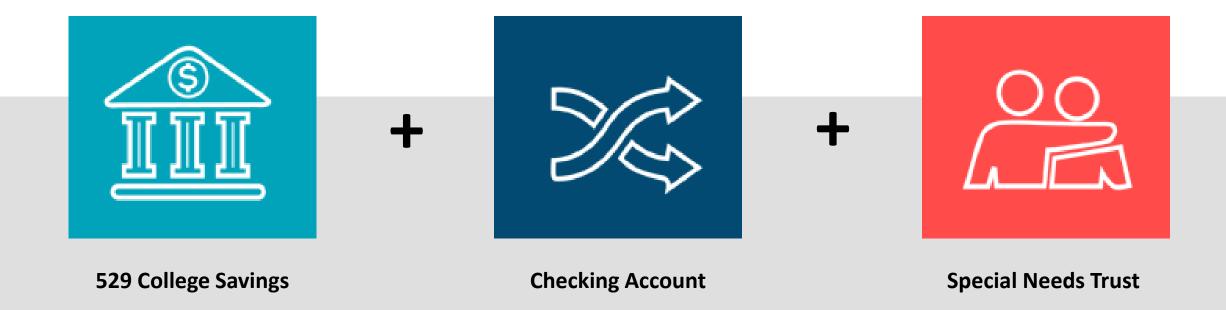
ABLE Act of 2014 created savings and investment accounts for individuals with disabilities

ABLE Accounts do not affect eligibility for benefits programs

SSI

Medicaid

ABLE Accounts have hybrid functionality



WHAT IS **STABLE?**

- STABLE is Ohio's ABLE Plan
- Administered by the Ohio Treasurer's office
- Launched June 1, 2016
- First and Largest ABLE Plan in the nation





Dramatically **increases** ability to save:

BEFORE ABLE

- x Could not save over \$2,000
- x Risk losing health care & other benefits

NOW WITH STABLE

- ✓ Can save well over \$2,000!
- ✓ Keep all your benefits!





Account is owned by the individual with the disability



New Investment Opportunities

TAX BENEFITS

May qualify for multiple tax benefits each year



To see who qualifies for a STABLE Account, take our eligibility quiz at stableaccount.com

Individuals with disabilities that occurred prior to age 26

PLUS <u>ONE</u> OF THE FOLLOWING:

- Eligible to receive SSI or SSDI due to disability; or
- Condition listed on SSA's "List of Compassionate Allowances Conditions"; or
- Self-certification

WHAT IS **SELF-CERTIFICATION?**





Need diagnosis of a physical or mental impairment that causes "marked and severe functional limitations"



Condition has lasted or is expected to last for at least 1 year



Do not need to send in written diagnosis, but must have on hand

ENROLLMENT



Free online enrollment



Quick & easy – approx. 20 minutes



\$50 minimum opening deposit

Can be done by either:

Individual with disability (Beneficiary)

or

Authorized Legal Representative (parent, guardian, power of attorney)





EFTELECTRONIC FUNDS TRANSFER

CHECK



IF NOT EMPLOYED

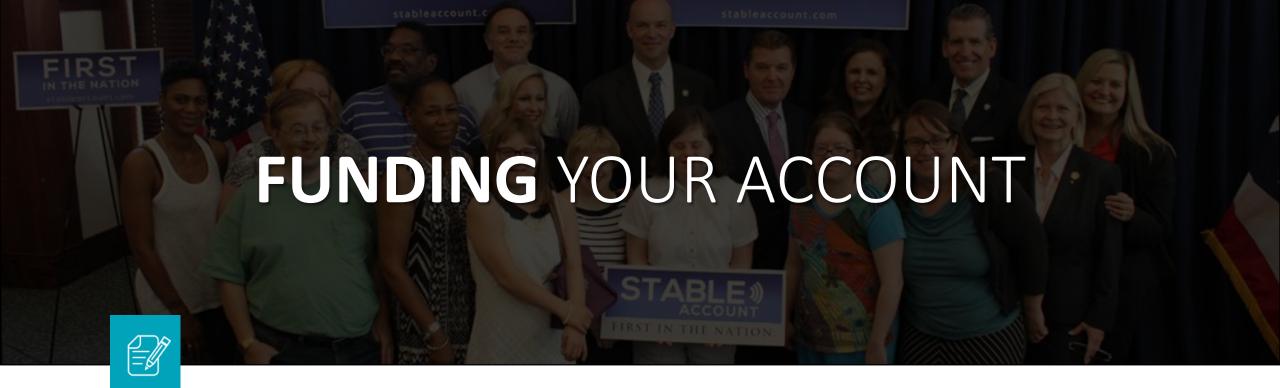
\$15,000 per year from all sources

IF EMPLOYED

Up to \$27,140 per year

LIFETIME LIMIT

\$468,000 balance limit



IF NOT EMPLOYED

\$15,000 per year from all sources



IF EMPLOYED

Up to \$27,140 per year

\$15,000 + wages up to an additional \$12,140



LIFETIME LIMIT

\$468,000 balance limit

eGift EVENTS

An eGift event sends out emails to friends and family for special events



Send request to friends and family for special events



Contributions go directly into STABLE Account



ADVANTAGES

Gifts will not affect benefits



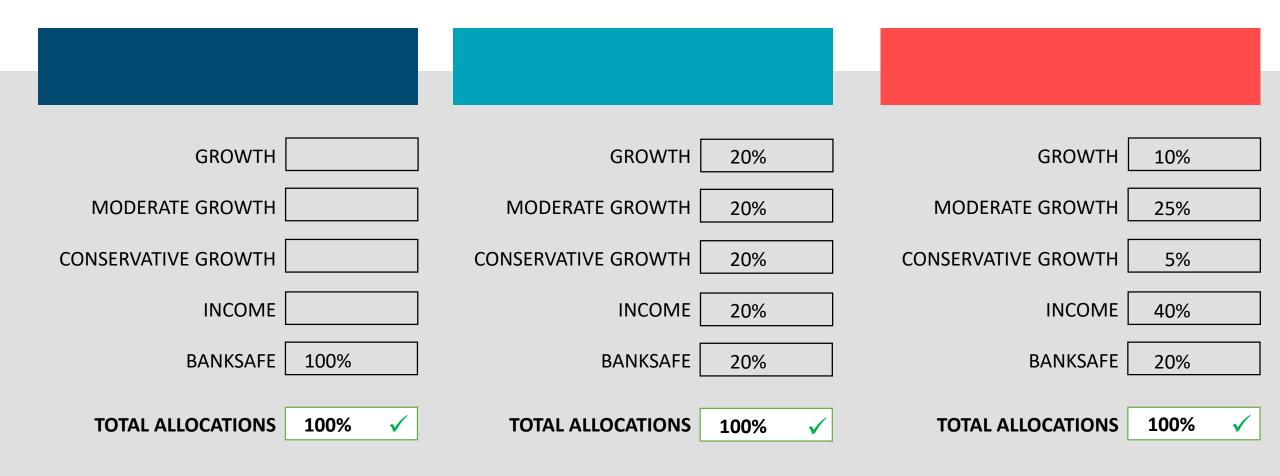
RECORD KEEPING

System tracks contributors for sending thank you notes

INVESTMENT OPTIONS

Choose from:

- Four Vanguard mutual funds that range from aggressive to conservative
- One principal-protected FDIC-Insured option



SPENDING YOUR FUNDS

Withdrawals must be used on "Qualified Disability Expenses"

Must relate to the disability + Help maintain or improve health, independence, or quality of life



Housing & Rent



Basic Living Expenses



Transportation



Education



Assistive Technology



Financial Management



Health & Wellness



Legal Fees

and many more...

SPENDING FROM YOUR ACCOUNT

Free Withdrawals + No Limits





Transfer to personal checking or savings



THIRD-PARTY

Pay with a Third-Party Check



THE STABLE CARD

Transfer onto STABLE Card

STABLE will not ask what you spend on, but benefits agencies and IRS can

THE **STABLE CARD**



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DEBIT

YOUR NAME

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STABLE CARD

The STABLE Card is a loadable/prepaid debit card that can be used anywhere Visa is accepted



Does not pull directly from account



Online spending records and annotated expenses



No overdraft, no cash access, limiting of merchants



Notifications to monitor spending, low balances

SSI CONSIDERATIONS



Balances over \$100,000 count as a resource – but SSI merely suspended, not terminated



If you hold on to the money from one calendar month to the next, then housing expenditures count as resources



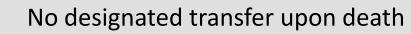
Beneficiary's own wages still count as income even if contributed to STABLE Account

IF ACCOUNT HOLDER PASSES AWAY

Account will pass to the account holder's estate



The estate administrator notifies STABLE and can take over account access





If the beneficiary does not have a will then account will go through normal probate process

MEDICAID SERVICES

Money in a STABLE Account is better protected from Medicaid payback than money in other accounts

Medicaid can ask for payback in some cases, but there are protections:



Medicaid Payback is only from date the account was opened



Pay any outstanding bills for QDEs



Deduct Medicaid Buy-In premiums you paid



Pay for funeral and burial expenses

ACCOUNT COST

There is a minimal cost for owning a STABLE Account

Monthly Maintenance Fees

Ohio Residents \$2.50 (\$30 Annually)

All other states \$3.50 (\$42 Annually)

Asset-Based Fees

Ohio Residents

Between 0.19% and 0.33%

All other states

Between 0.45% and 0.59%

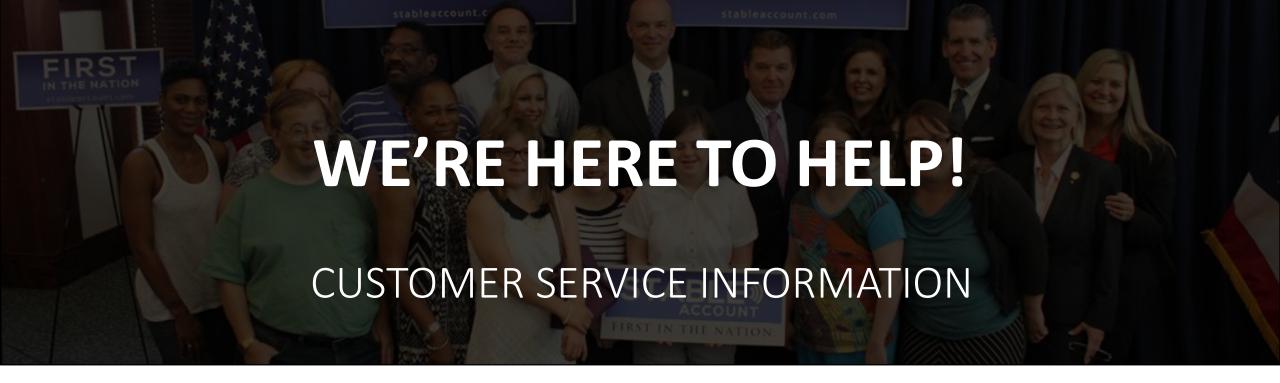
STABLE ACCOUNT & SPECIAL NEEDS TRUSTS

Complementary tools that can be used together

- ✓ Trusts can be written or amended for distributions to STABLE Accounts
- ✓ Trusts can accept unlimited cash and non-cash assets

Unique STABLE Account benefits

- ✓ Broader spending power (i.e. housing and food)
- ✓ State tax deduction for STABLE contributions
- ✓ No federal or state income tax on earnings
- ✓ Can be established, administered and owned by an individual with a disability





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