



Here's what you do.

On your own, or with someone's help, use a computer to sign on to the Internet. The Web site address to go to is

www.westchestergov.com/seniors.htm

Then, just fill out the confidential questionnaire of your choice. Regardless of the option you choose, you will get a helpful report that will lead you to the benefits you may have been missing. You can print the report to keep for yourself or to show to a friend, relative or advisor.

BenefitsCheckUp also allows you to find Fact Sheets and Application forms for over 250 programs by clicking on "Apply for Benefits" on the Web site.

"So far your site has been the most helpful and easiest to navigate that I've found in trying to help my relatives. Thanks!"

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BenefitsCheckUp is simple. It's fast. It's free. And it's private.

BenefitsCheckUp® is a service of the National Council on Aging (NCOA), a national non-profit organization based in Washington, DC. Since 2001, nearly two million people have used it to find benefits. In several areas of the country, NCOA works with local partners to reach out and help seniors find the benefits they deserve.

"This is truly a gift. I'm sure I speak for millions of working baby boomers engaged in on-the-job learning about eldercare."

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Need help paying for your prescriptions, energy bills, or property taxes?



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There's an Easy Way to Find Benefits

Local, state and federal programs can help many people with expenses such as prescription drugs, rent, heating bills, meals and more. The programs already exist, although it's often hard to find them.

BenefitsCheckUp is a Web site that can help people aged 55 and over and some younger people with Medicare find and get the benefits they are eligible for. Completing a BenefitsCheckUp questionnaire only takes a few minutes. It's free and your answers are always private.

If you don't have a computer at home, visit the local library or a senior center that has computers and do it yourself. Or, ask a trusted friend, relative, or family member to help.

BenefitsCheckUp can find you programs that pay for:

- Prescription drugs
- Heating bills
- Housing/rent
- Meal programs
- Legal services
- Medical costs
- In-home services

It can also help you find:

- Tax relief
- Veteran's benefits
- Employment
- Volunteer work
- Other helpful information and resources

BenefitsCheckUp can help lower your prescription costs.

BenefitsCheckUp can also help people with Medicare and others over age 55 find the best ways to reduce their prescription costs. On the Web site, you have two choices that lead to prescription savings.

Medicare Rx Extra Help

If you are someone with limited income and resources, you may be eligible for Extra Help with Medicare prescription drug costs, but you need to apply for that help.

You can use BenefitsCheckUp to find out quickly and easily if you are likely to qualify for this Extra Help. The Web site will also help you to apply for the Extra Help.

Find More Benefits Programs

BenefitsCheckUp can help you find the combination of prescription savings programs—both public and private—that works best for you. These include government programs such as the Medicare prescription drug coverage (also known as Part D), state prescription assistance programs, and private company patient assistance programs.

“This service is priceless to homebound seniors and the families who care for them.”