



ENTITLEMENT MAINTENANCE, INC.



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DECEMBER 2018 NEWSLETTER



December News:

December 21st – First Day of Winter
December 25th – Christmas Day (no mail delivery)
December 31st – New Year’s Eve



PAYMENT INFORMATION. PLEASE READ CAREFULLY.

Select MasterCard individuals who receive bi-monthly payments, will receive their payments on:

SSI: 11/30/18 & 12/14/18
12/31/18 & 01/15/19

RSDI: 12/03/18 & 12/14/18
01/03/19 & 01/15/19

Individuals who receive checks and receive bi-monthly payments, will receive their checks on:

SSI: 12/03/18 & 12/14/18
01/02/19 & 01/15/19

RSDI: 12/04/18 & 12/14/18
01/04/19 & 01/15/19

HAPPY Birthday December Birthdays!



Joke of the Month

Did you know that according to the song, “Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer”, Santa has twelve reindeer? Sure, in the introduction it goes “There’s Dasher and Dancer and Prancer and Vixen, Comet and Cupid and Donner and Blitzen...” That makes eight reindeer. Then there’s Rudolph, of course, so that makes nine. Then there’s Olive. You know, “Olive the other reindeers used to laugh...” That makes ten. The eleventh is Howe. You know, “Then Howe the reindeer loved him...” Eleven reindeer. Oh, and number 12? That Andy! “Andy shouted out with glee.” **The proof is in the song!**



Fact Sheet		
2019 SOCIAL SECURITY CHANGES		
Social Security Disability Thresholds:	2018	2019
Substantial Gainful Activity (SGA)		
Non-Blind	\$1,180 / mth	\$1,220 / mth
Blind	\$1,970 / mth	\$2,040 / mth
Trial Work Period (TWP)	\$ 850 / mth	\$ 880 / mth
SSI Federal Payment Standard:		
Individual	\$ 750 / mth	\$ 771 / mth
SSI Resources Limits:		
Individual	\$2,000	\$2,000

Important Numbers:

Economic Assistance:

Hennepin County: 612-596-1300
Ramsey County: 651-266-3800
Anoka County: 763-422-7246

Community Resources:

United Way of Twin Cities 2-1-1

Energy Assistance:

Minnesota General: 800-657-3710
Minneapolis Area: 952-930-3541
Hennepin County Suburbs: 952-930-3541
Ramsey County: 651-645-6470
Washington County: 651-645-6470
Anoka County: 763-783-4712
Carver/Dakota/Scott Counties: 651-322-3550



Energy Assistance Information!

*If you received assistance last year:
You will receive an application
automatically.*

*If you have moved or now qualify:
You can request an application by calling the
number under Energy Assistance.*

REMEMBER: Energy Assistance is extra money for
YOU! \$\$\$\$

With the holidays here . . .

We ask for your patience!

If you do not receive your check on the usual day, please wait one more day for your mail.
If you still do not receive your check, please call our office and will look into it.
With the holidays here, mail may take a little longer than usual.

Thanks!



Monthly Statements

EMI sends out monthly payee account statements. If you are not receiving a monthly statement and would like to, please give us a call.



MEDICAL DRUG PLAN

If you are having trouble getting your prescriptions filled due to your Medical Part D drug plan, call the Linkage Line at 800-333-2433.



~~ DO YOU REALLY WANT A CHECK? ~~

THE OLD WAY:

We can mail you a check for your spending. You can then wait for the check to come in your mailbox. Then you can go to the bank and cash your check. Whew! That's a lot of work!



THE NEW WAY:

You can get a Select MasterCard. The money is on your card now! WOW! That was fast! Try it. Read this. Then call us!

~~~ Select MasterCard Information ~~~

ACCOUNT BALANCE: All the information you need about your card and account history is available at www.paychekplus.com. You can check your balance and transactions and sign up for Text Alerts. This is all available online.

If you prefer to use the automated system, call the number on the back of your card. **This number is 877-380-0978.**

ALERTS: You can receive notifications by text or email, and Alerts can actually save you money. If you know your balance, you can avoid a Purchase Decline fee for trying to spend more money than you have on your card. Sign up for Text Alerts online or with customer service, and you can get your balance at any time by texting "BAL" to 90831. You can also set Alerts to notify you of other information – like when funds are loaded to your card account or when your balance goes below the amount you set. *However, remember that text messaging rates will apply.*

All of us at EMI wish you a very Merry Christmas!