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The story of **STABLE**

• Grassroots and legislative efforts

• ABLE Accounts across the country

• The impact of STABLE Account



WHAT IS **ABLE?**

The Achieving a Better Life Experience (ABLE) Act of 2014 created savings and investment accounts for individuals living with disabilities

Save money <u>without impacting</u> eligibility for certain means-tested benefits





WHAT IS **ABLE?**

ABLE accounts have hybrid functionality

529 College Savings

Checking Account

Special Needs Trust

ABLE accounts function similar to these products



BENEFITS OF ABLE ACCOUNTS

OWNERSHIP

Account is owned by the individual living with the disability

FINANCIAL INDEPENDENCE

Eliminate spend-down and increase the amount of short-term and / or long-term savings

TAX BENEFITS

May qualify for multiple tax benefits each year



WHAT IS **STABLE?**

STABLE is a national ABLE plan

Administered by the Ohio Treasurer's office

Launched June 1, 2016

First and most-used ABLE plan in America





STABLE Highlights

- Outreach achievements
- Advocacy





ELIGIBILITY

To see who qualifies for STABLE Account, take our eligibility quiz at <u>stableaccount.com</u>

An individual living with a disability 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



ENROLLMENT

Free online enrollment at **stableaccount.com**

Quick & easy process (appx. 20 minutes)

\$25 minimum opening deposit



ENROLLMENT Can be completed by:

Individual with a disability (Accountholder)

OR

Authorized Legal Representative (ALR)

- Agent under a Power of Attorney
- Conservator / Legal Guardian
- Spouse
- Parent
- **G** Sibling
- Grandparent
- Social Security Representative Payee

... in that order, and that there is no other willing and able person with a higher priority as listed above to establish the ABLE account.



Management of Multiple Accounts

Simplifies processes for those overseeing more than one account

Levels of oversight can accommodate organization's management of accounts

Reporting and recordkeeping is provided within the portal



FUNDING YOUR ACCOUNT



Check

Payroll Direct Deposit



FUNDING YOUR ACCOUNT

IF NOT EMPLOYED

\$17,000 per year from all sources

IF EMPLOYED

Up to \$30,590 per year \$17,000 + wages up to an additional \$13,590

LIFETIME BALANCE

\$523,000 contribution limit

System automatically rejects excess contributions





The Gifting Page allows anyone to give financial gifts...directly into the STABLE Account

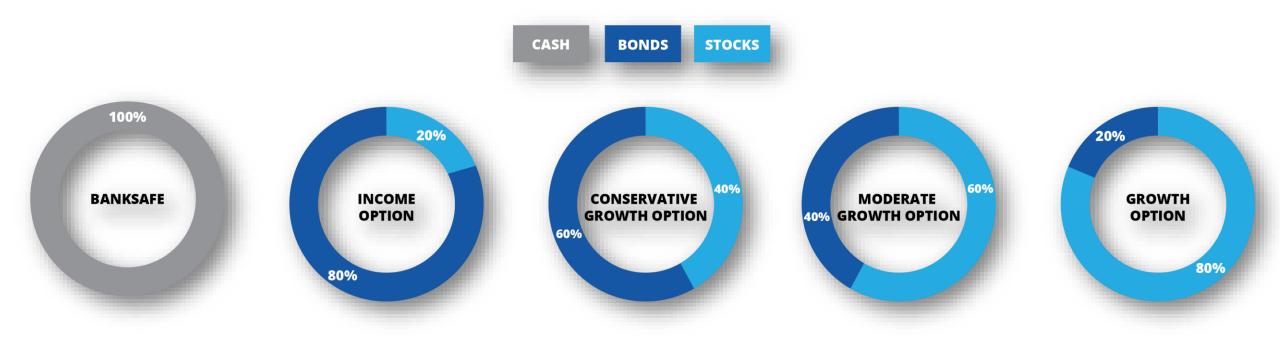
Contribute to Amy's Future	Amy's Gifting Progress
Looking for the perfect gift? A gift contribution to an ABLE account can help	
pay for everyday expenses and care down the road. Plus, it's easier than wrapping a present. Thank you for contributing to Amy's future.	10% complete
Make a contribution	Invite friends or family to pitch in
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Does <u>NOT</u> count as a RESOURCE or INCOME

INVESTMENT OPTIONS

Choose From

- Four Vanguard mutual funds ranging 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





SPENDING FROM YOUR ACCOUNT

CHECKING & SAVINGS

Transfer to personal checking or savings

CHECK WITHDRAWAL

Send to home address or Third-Party

THE STABLE VISA CARD

Transfer onto STABLE Visa Card



STABLE VISA CARD



LOADABLE

Provides controlled access to spending

PROTECTIONS

No overdraft, no cash access, able to limit merchants and types of expenses

TRACKS EXPENSES

Online spending records with ability to add notes

ALERTS

Notifications to monitor spending and low balances

STABLE

YOUR NAME

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DEBIT

VISA



ACCOUNT COST

There is a minimal cost for owning a STABLE Account

Account Maintenance Fees

Ohio Residents **\$27.00 per year** (\$6.75 charged to your account quarterly)

All other states \$39.00 per year (\$9.75 charged to your account quarterly)

Asset-Based Fees

Ohio Residents & Partner States Between 0.19% and 0.33%

All other states **Between 0.45% and 0.59%**



SSI CONSIDERATIONS

Supplemental Security Income

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

Accountholder's own wages still count as income even if contributed to an ABLE account



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:

LIMITATIONS

Medicaid Payback is only from date the account was opened

OUTSTANDING BILLS

Pay any outstanding bills for QDEs

DEDUCTIONS

Deduct Medicaid Buy-In premiums you paid

FUNERAL EXPENSES

Pay for funeral and burial expenses

ABLE ACCOUNT & SPECIAL NEEDS TRUSTS

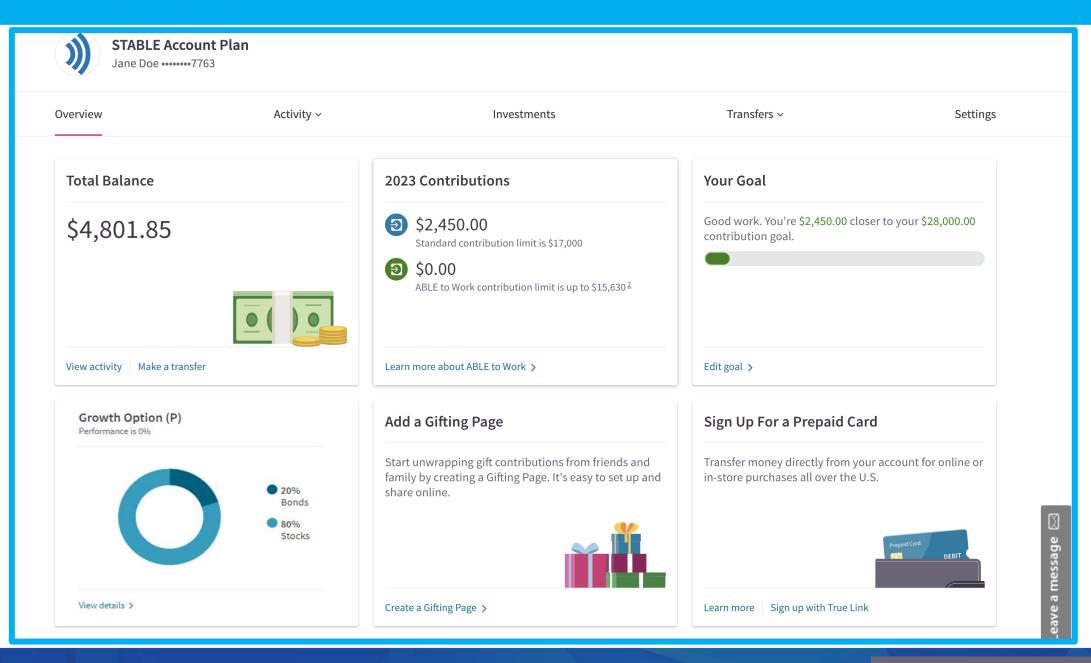
Complementary tools that can be used together

- ✓ Trusts can make distributions to STABLE Accounts
- ✓ Trusts can accept unlimited cash and non-cash assets

Unique ABLE Account benefits

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









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WE'RE HERE TO HELP!

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