

## Need Help?

Sometimes it can be difficult to navigate the maze of the federal government. My offices in Stuart and Port Charlotte can help constituents obtain reliable information, order forms, and intervene on your behalf with a federal agency.

[Click here to download the Privacy Authorization Form](#)

### Social Security:

We can help you with determining Social Security benefits, as well as Supplemental Security Income (SSI) and Medicare eligibility.

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Do you want to know if you qualify for disability and SSI? Use Social Security's Screening Tool to check if you do.

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Do you need information on how to apply for Medicare? Go to the Medicare Frequently Asked Questions page.

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Do you have other general questions about social security services and benefits? Find an answer on [SSA's Answers](#)

to Your Questions page.

Click here to locate  
your local Social Security office

Veterans Administration:

Before opening a case through the Congressional office, we encourage our constituents to contact their local Veterans Service Officer (VSO): [Click here for a list of local VSOs.](#)

We can assist you with receiving benefits, eligibility determination, and replacement of medals earned.

- Would you like to apply for veterans benefits? Use VONAPP to apply online.

- Would you like to appeal a decision? Find out how on the Board of Veterans Appeals page.

IRS:

We may be able to assist you in resolving problems with the IRS. If you cannot get an answer to a question, or do not understand an IRS notice, contact my Stuart or Port Charlotte offices. If you want me to submit an inquiry on your behalf and have the IRS send me information about your taxes, you will need to complete an IRS Form 8821, and list me as the appointee. I can also contact the IRS on your behalf and have them communicate directly with you, if you prefer. In that case, you need not complete the form, but I will need a written request for assistance.

The IRS has a useful web site, almost all forms and publications are on line, and you may find a lot of helpful information at the site.

Click  
here to locate your local IRS office.

Medicare:

The Medicare.gov website provides a program, PlanFinder, to enable you to compare details of these plans, including formularies (a list of drugs covered), deductibles, and premiums. Information about individual plans offered in Maine is available now.

You can also call 1-800-MEDICARE to have a Medicare caseworker assist you. Be sure to have the following information available when you make this call:

- The names, dosages, and frequency of the drugs you take.
- The pharmacies you use.
- Any prescription drug coverage you already have.

Immigration:

We can help with immigration petitions, adjustments of status, naturalization and non-immigrant petitions that have been delayed or lost.

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Do you need to schedule an appointment with U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS)? Use InfoPass to make an appointment online.

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Are you wondering when an immigrant visa will become available to you or a family member? You can find out by reviewing the State Department's Visa Bulletin.

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Do you need to find out how to file an application with USCIS? Go to Forms and Fees on the USCIS website.

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Do you have other general questions about immigration and naturalization? Find an answer on the USCIS Frequently Asked Questions page.

The United States Citizen and Immigration Services webpage can provide you with your case status and processing times.