Just as we were there day one for you and your children, we will be there for future generations as well. Most parents apply for a child’s Social Security number at birth, usually through the hospital. When the time comes for that first job, the number is already in place.

From your first job to your last, your employer verifies your Social Security number with us to help reduce fraud and allow us to keep track of your earnings history to ensure you get the benefits you deserve. Keep track of your earnings record by creating a my Social Security account.

If you legally change your name due to marriage, divorce, or any other reason, let us know so you can get an updated Social Security card — and so we can accurately keep track of your earnings. There’s no charge for a Social Security card.

In the 21st century, more women work, pay Social Security taxes, and earn credit toward monthly retirement income than at any other time in our nation’s history.

Isn’t it nice to know that Social Security is here to help even if the unexpected happens?

The loss of a loved one can be both emotionally and financially difficult. Some widows, widowers, and children may receive survivors benefits to help them cope with the financial loss.

When most people think of Social Security, they think of retirement benefits — with good reason. Nearly 60 percent of people receiving Social Security benefits are women.

The two Social Security Trust Funds — Old-Age and Survivors Insurance (OASI) and Disability Insurance (DI) — will be able to pay all benefits in full and on time until 2034. Even if legislative changes are not made before 2034, we’ll still be able to pay 78 percent of each benefit due. Social Security has always changed to meet the needs of the people we serve and will continue to help protect you and your family now and in the future. Get to know us at ssa.gov.