



# WELCOME to Social Security's 75th Birthday Party!

## PROGRAM

Greetings

SULEIKA CABRERA DRINANE, *President/CEO, Institute for Puerto Rican and Hispanic Elderly*

NANCY B. TRUE, *Director, Teamsters Local 237 Retiree Division, NYS Alliance for Retired Americans*

Welcome

MARIA CRUZ, *Executive Director/Taino Towers*

Greetings

MICHAEL BURGESS, *Executive Director, NYS Office for the Aging*

Presentation

Governor's Proclamation, to John Shallman, *Regional Communications Director, Social Security Administration-NY*

FDR's Legacy

DAVID ROOSEVELT

"Lady Liberty"

TATO LAVIERA, *poet*

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CONGRESSMAN CHARLES RANGEL, *15TH CD*

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STATE SENATOR RUBEN DIAZ, *SR., 32ND SD*

What Social Security Means to Me:

DABNEY MONTGOMERY, *former Tuskegee Airman, Congressional Medal of Honor recipient; Teamsters Local 237 retiree*

ANA BERROA, *Hispanic Senior Action Council*

Release of Special Report

Social Security Works for New York

Keynote address

ERIC KINGSON, *Co-Director, Social Security Works*

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Cathleen McCadden representing  
ASSEMBLYMEMBER KEITH WRIGHT, *70TH AD*

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Yvette Martinez, *Associate State Director, AARP*

What Social Security Means to Me:

CARIDAD MAK, *Hispanic Senior Action Council*

JOSEPH ADAMS, *Teamsters Local 237 retiree*

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ASSEMBLYMEMBER ADAM CLAYTON POWELL, *IV 68TH AD*

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MANHATTAN BOROUGH PRESIDENT SCOTT STRINGER

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CITY COUNCILMEMBER MELISSA MARK-VIVERITO, *8th District*



Musical accompaniment by Marjorie Eliot and Ismael Granda

Special thanks to Congressman Charles Rangel for providing today's breakfast

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# Happy 75th Birthday, Social Security!

ASSISTING FAMILIES SINCE 1935

Income Security for older Americans, persons with disabilities,  
surviving children and spouses of deceased wage earners.

## Social Security Facts

- **More than 53 million Americans receive Social Security benefits, including:**

- 34 million retirees**

- 6.5 million children**

- 9.3 million disabled workers and their dependents**

*The Social Security Trust Fund estimates that 30 percent of workers will become disabled before Social Security retirement age.*

- 4.3 million surviving spouses and parents**

- **Social Security is the largest single source of income for retirees, accounting for 40 percent of income for those 65 and older.**

- **For two-thirds of older Americans, Social Security provides the majority of their income; for one-third, it provides nearly all their income.**

- **Without Social Security, nearly half of Americans 65 and over would live in poverty.**

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