

Can the Ticket to Work Program Be Self-Financing?

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The Ticket to Work (TTW) Program

- **New approach to the old problem.**
- **For years SSA has paid State Vocational Rehabilitation Agencies for helping beneficiaries return to work.**
- **In 2002, TTW introduced a market-based approach:**
 - **Give beneficiaries more incentives to try work**
 - **Register service providers willing to deliver services in exchange for a payment based largely on success in getting beneficiaries off of cash benefits**
 - **Foster the market**
 - Provide information to beneficiaries and providers
 - Register tickets
 - Resolve dispute

The rest of the slides presented at the conference were designed to support my presentation and may be difficult to understand outside of that context. If you are interested in the Ticket to Work program and its benefits and costs, please see my report on this issue, which can be accessed using the link on the next slide.

That report includes a short introductory summary that covers all the issues I discussed in the presentation

Regards,

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- **Full Paper**
- <https://www.ssa.gov/disabilityresearch/documents/TTW%20Financing%20508.pdf>
- **TTW Evaluation Web Site**
 - https://www.ssa.gov/disabilityresearch/twe_reports.htm