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As many of you already know not only am I a Financial Advisor and a Chartered Special Needs Consultant, but I am also a Special Needs Mom. In 2022 we launched our Special Needs Binder and email series, which has now evolved into a monthly newsletter! My goal is to continue supporting this community by providing relevant information, guidance and resources. On our website you can find [past newsletters, articles and our community resource guide](#) .

We just added a new article to our website, [Using Micro Boards to Manage Special Needs Trusts](#).

When it comes to managing a special needs trust, families and caregivers often seek solutions that ensure the well-being of their loved one with disabilities while also maintaining the flexibility to adapt to changing needs. Special needs trusts are among the hardest to administer because the consequences for an erroneous distribution can have a devastating effect on the beneficiaries least equipped to rebound from the error. One innovative and increasingly popular approach is the use of **Micro Boards**. This concept can play a vital role in the administration of special needs trusts, providing a personalized, community-centered model for support and decision-making.

[Read More on Using Micro Boards to Manage Special Needs Trusts Here](#)

April is a busy month for me. Here a few of the places and events you can find me at:

- April 2 from 11 am to 1:30pm at The Arc of Loudoun, in person or virtual FREE Lunch and Learn! I will provide a powerful session on navigating taxes & financial planning for families with disabilities. Register at <https://secure.qgiv.com/.../event/lunchandlearnapril22025/>
- April 7-9th I will be attending the Arc of the US Disability Policy Summit
- April 12th you can find me at the LoCo Wine Festival at [Old Farm Winery at Hartland](#). **A percentage of net proceeds will be donated to The Arc of Loudoun!** Sign up for The Arc of Loudoun newsletter to receive a discount code for purchasing tickets! <https://thearcofloudoun.org/arc-news/>
- April 25th 10am to 11:30am ***"Special Needs Planning - Financial and Estate Planning in Unique Circumstances"*** I will be co-presenting with Lillian Hummel, J.D., M.P.A Principal Atty with Elville and Associates in MD. [Register Here](#)

I hope you find our monthly newsletter informative. Please reach out if you have any questions. As always I am here to help!



How to Report Income for SSI Benefits

Because Supplemental Security Income (SSI) eligibility and benefit amounts depend on financial need, recipients must report all sources of income to the SSA.

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Social Security Simplifies Online SSI Application

The Social Security Administration has launched a simplified online application for Supplemental Security Income (SSI) for some adults.

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How Medicaid Changes Could Affect People With Disabilities

Some pundits claim that the Trump administration is considering cuts to the Medicaid program that could be detrimental to people with disabilities and other populations.

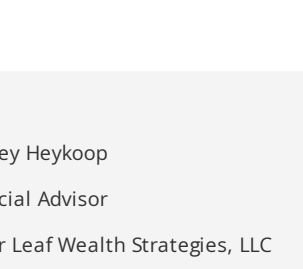
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How To Get a Disabled Parking Permit

Understanding the types of disabled parking permits available, the process for obtaining them, and where they can be used is necessary for those who require these accommodations.

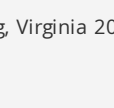
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