Your 2016 Cost-of-Living Adjustment (CoLA) Announcement Coming Soon!

Your 2016 Cost-of-Living Adjustment will be announced in less than a month.

“This is a critical month for senior citizens,” states Seniors Coalition President and CEO Joseph Bridges. “The Department of Labor will be announcing senior citizens’ 2016 CoLA in October, and there are serious concerns among The Seniors Coalition’s members, and justifiably so. Seniors have been short-changed on their annual CoLA for five years running, with no raise in 2010 and 2011. This is totally unacceptable,” continued Bridges.

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Seniors Coalition board members visit Capitol Hill to generate buzz for the Guaranteed 3% CoLA Act. President & CEO Joe Bridges is at left with board Chair Joanne Leon, entering a Senate office.

Seniors Coalition Goes To Bat for House and Senate Lock-Box Bills

There is a golden opportunity on Capitol Hill to pass legislation in both chambers that you have identified as critical, the House and Senate Lock Box Acts of 2015.

“The time has never been better to hold politicians’ feet to the fire and put a stop to raiding Social Security for pet projects once and for all,” states President and CEO Joe Bridges. “The Seniors Coalition has been collecting signed petitions from all fifty states urging Congress to enact a lock box to protect any surplus in the Social Security Trust Fund,” continues Bridges. “We must take advantage of this situation and strike while the iron is hot.”

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President and CEO Joe Bridges (left) and Senator David Vitter meet on Capitol Hill to discuss ways to promote and ultimately gain final passage of The Lock Box Act of 2015. The current bill in the 114th Congress is known as S.20.

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Dear Friend,

As always, thank you for all of your support of the Seniors Coalition.

This could very well be the most important month of the year for senior citizens. The Department of Labor will be announcing your 2016 CoLA in less than four weeks. That means I need your help more than ever. You see Congressman Eliot Engel will be reintroducing his Guaranteed 3% CoLA legislation at the end of September, and I need your help spreading the word on Capitol Hill.

The Seniors Coalition’s legislative team has been working closely with Congressman Engel’s staff to gain cosponsors as soon as the bill has been officially reintroduced, but there is more that can be done. I am calling on all Seniors Coalition members and supporters to contact your elected officials and urge them to cosponsor this critical piece of legislation. It’s critical to the generation of citizens that helped build this great country into what it is today.

Thank you for all that you have done in support of the Seniors Coalition!

Dr. Joseph L. Bridges
President & CEO
The Seniors Coalition
That’s why it is imperative that all Seniors Coalition members be on the lookout for your Guaranteed 3% CoLA petition in favor of Congressman Eliot Engel’s legislation that will be reintroduced in September. This legislation is not only fair, but critical to senior citizens in all fifty states.

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Legislative Report from Executive Director Sean Ferritor

The August recess has ended, and it’s time to get back to work on Capitol Hill for the House and Senate. There will be a budget fight, a fight over the Iran Nuclear Deal crafted by the Obama Administration, and there will more than likely be a government shutdown. In the midst of this mess, the Department of Labor will be announcing your Cost of Living Adjustment (CoLA) for 2016.

You see, as the current administration’s tenure slowly winds to a close, I can’t help but fixate on how little was done to protect senior citizens, to protect you. In fact, when I think back all I can come up with is constant attacks on Social Security and Medicare by the Obama Administration. That’s why this month is critical to both you and me. We must band together once again and mobilize our membership to make sure Congress hears the message that seniors deserve a FAIR CoLA.

Congressman Eliot Engel will be reintroducing his Guaranteed 3% CoLA bill in September. I’ve heard day in and day out that this is the most critical issue to you. That’s why we will be working around the clock to ensure its passage. Your continued participation in our national surveys and petition drives will be critical to our success.

That’s all for this month. If you have any questions or comments about our legislative or grassroots lobbying efforts, please contact me at 202-261-3594.
Seniors Coalition’s Early 2016 Membership Renewal Drive Has Begun!

It’s that time of year again, time for you to get in your early renewal forms and take advantage of all the perks of being a member of The Seniors Coalition.

July 1, 2015, marked the beginning of The Seniors Coalition’s early membership renewal drive for 2016, and we need all TSC members to have their voices heard in Washington D.C. by getting your renewals in early. The Seniors Coalition would be totally helpless if it weren’t for our loyal members and supporters, and that’s why we begin to push for renewals early.

By renewing your 2016 membership early, you allow The Seniors Coalition to begin to focus its legislative agenda for the upcoming year. Your early renewal also lets our legislative team know that we are representing your interests on Capitol Hill according to your wishes. Your constant participation in our national surveys and petition drives is imperative to our success on Capitol Hill. Thank You!

Don’t be left behind! Return your early membership renewal package today and secure your seat at the table for the big issues that seniors will face in 2016.

For more information, visit our website at: www.senior.org

Help The Seniors Coalition Protect You and Your Rights!

The Seniors Coalition depends exclusively on voluntary membership dues and contributions from the general public to represent America’s senior citizens in Washington. If you would like to help our efforts, then please clip and return this coupon with any contribution you can afford.

☐ YES! I would like to help The Seniors Coalition keep fighting to protect senior citizens. Enclosed is my contribution of:

☐ $10  ☐ $15  ☐ $25  ☐ $50
☐ $100  ☐ $250  ☐ Other $_______

Name:_________________________________________________________
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Please make your check payable to “TSC”.

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