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During National Hispanic Heritage Month, which runs from September 15 to October 15, Social Security recognizes the many contributions of Hispanic Americans and celebrates Hispanic heritage and culture.

Our award-winning website provides information and services in Spanish. Find out why by visiting www.segurosocial.gov. More than a million people visit this website each year to get the information they need.

Our popular Spanish-language website offers information that is useful to people whose first language is Spanish.

The www.segurosocial.gov website features more than 100 public information pamphlets, leaflets, and fact sheets in Spanish. The website also lets visitors use benefit calculators, sign up for direct deposit, and locate their nearest Social Security office. Our popular *Retirement Estimator*, available in Spanish, provides instant, personalized estimates of future retirement benefits. Check it out at www.segurosocial.gov/calculador.

If you want to visit an office and speak with someone in Spanish, we have interpreter services available if there is not a Spanish-speaking representative working in the office. To learn about our interpreter services, visit www.socialsecurity.gov/espanol/interpreter.htm.

In addition, our national toll-free number (1-800-772-1213) provides automated prompts in Spanish for callers. So whether it's via the Internet, our national 800 number, or through face-to-face office visits, Social Security remains committed to providing quality service to an increasingly more diverse American public.

This National Hispanic Heritage Month, visit www.segurosocial.gov (or www.socialsecurity.gov in English) to learn about Social Security.

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