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Income limits on disability benefits are bad for oregonians. They prevent people from:

Entering the workforce

Taking a promotion

Accepting a raise just to keep up with record inflation

Marrying their long term partners (or else their partners would also be subject to the asset and income limits as part of their legally-defined household size)

Saving for healthcare emergencies

Saving for natural disasters

Saving towards homeownership

Building wealth that could be passed on to children

Asset and income limits create a ceiling that holds people with disabilities down and makes them even more vulnerable. Despite this, there are people who are willing and trying to work, and save. Remove the ceiling and let them thrive.