

Background

Since 2006, RetirementJobs.com, the leading job search internet resource for age 50+ job seekers has evaluated employers to identify those which have demonstrated a commitment to the employment of workers on an age-neutral basis. This rigorous evaluation process leads to the recognition of some organizations as Age Friendly Certified Employers. Certified employers can be recognized by the appearance of the RetirementJobs.com Age Friendly Certified Employer Seal on their job postings, career home pages and in employment advertising.

RetirementJobs.com research has revealed that 30% to 40% of age 50+ job seekers would prefer the opportunity to work from home. This may be due to family obligations, health, the freedom to maintain a flexible work schedule or to avoid the time and expense of commuting to an employer's place of work. Working from home, part time or full-time, may also enable people to work longer than their primary profession or occupation may have allowed. Working beyond traditional retirement age is a financial necessity for many.

The desire, even need, to work at home has created an opportunity for frauds masquerading as legitimate opportunities when they are simply unethical or illegal scams preying on people in need of income - particularly older people who are easy prey because of desperation and financial vulnerability. Hundreds of millions of dollars are lost every year to fraudulent schemes to let you earn "\$5,000 or more per week" or to "become wealthy working 15 hours a week from the comfort of your home." RetirementJobs.com is dedicated to enabling age 50+ people to find meaningful, rewarding and appropriate jobs and we have determined that we must assist those of you seeking work to also be able to identify legitimate work-at-home opportunities.

Verified Work-at-Home Opportunities

RetirementJobs.com's Research staff has compiled a list of work-at or work-from-home opportunities that are believed to be provided by legitimate organizations. Several reputable research projects have concluded that only about 1 out of 100 work-at-home opportunities is legitimate. That means you have about a 99% chance of being defrauded by online and advertised "get rich quick" scams.

RetirementJobs.com's list of Verified Work-at-Home Opportunities allows you to explore your work-at, or from-home earning opportunities with a degree of confidence not possible otherwise. You will still need to perform your own due diligence, but you begin knowing that our professionals have screened out the vast majority of frauds and scams.

Verification Process

Beginning with a list of more than 500 work-at-home opportunities, we examined each one. We eliminated those that:

- Don't describe the work you would do
- Require advance payment for an ill-defined "starter kit" or "handbook"
- Anywhere we could not speak to a person
- Promise outlandish earnings for little work
- Rely on testimonials depicting attractive people and families
- Depict lavish homes, cars and boats
- Depict large checks and large quantities of money
- Have a record of complaints or litigation for fraud
- Promise to eliminate your financial problems
- Where we cannot identify the owners or principals

It all seems like common sense, but common sense goes out the window when you're desperate or just a trusting person. Even if you see a potentially good opportunity, please tread carefully.

Having narrowed the list considerably, we then examined the work-at-home provider's web site or business information. We often obtained information about the specific work they offer including the terms and conditions of entering a relationship. We retained only those organizations that we believe to be legitimate organizations and offer reasonable opportunities to earn money working-at-home.

Our Warning to You

While we have made a diligent, good faith effort to verify only those organizations we believe to offer legitimate earning opportunities, we cannot and do not guarantee their legitimacy and legality. You are still responsible for performing your own due diligence research and RetirementJobs.com accepts no responsibility for losses related to your affiliation with any of these organizations. That said, we believe we have eliminated the worst frauds and scams being offered today.

Future Information

We will continue our research in hopes of refining this list to become more and more reliable. We also intend to provide more information about the legitimate work-at-home providers including details about the work they offer, your earnings potential, terms and conditions, costs and risks.

Verified Work-at-Home Opportunities

The first release of the list contains organization names and their respective category. Future lists will provide additional detail and information. You're encouraged to start your research from this list. Best wishes in your effort to find real work-at-home!

Work At Home Opportunities

Caregiving

BrightHorizons.com
Care.com
HomeInstead.com
HomewatchCaregivers.com
RightatHome.net
SitterCity.com
SynergyHomeCare.com
VisitingAngels.com

Customer Service

AlpineAccess.com
Arise.com
Convergys.com
CustomLoyal.com
MedQuist.com
VIPDesk.com
West, WestAtHome.com
WorkingSolutions.com

Healthcare

FoneMed.com
McKesson.com
MedQuist.com
Spheris.com

Miscellaneous

AutoWrapped.com
MedQuist.com
OnlineVerdict.com
WorkingSolutions.com

Tutoring & Training

ASAPTutor
Brainfuse.com
GrowingStars.com
Kaplan.com
NTAtutor.org
Smarthinking.com
Tutor.com
TutorVista.com

Professional Services

Aquent.com
AssistU.com
CharmCityConcierge.com
Eance.com
Guru.com
oDesk.com
OpenAd.net
SDL.com
StaffingAtHome.com
TeamDoubleClick.com
Telelanguage.com

Technology

Arise.com
ComputerAssistant.com
GeeksOnTime.com
GeekSquad.com
PlumChoice.com
Support.com
SupportFreaks.com
VoiceLog.com

Sales Support

ACDDirect.com
APlaceForMom.com
Arise.com
Convergys.com
Convergys.com
CustomLoyal.com
ExtendedPresence.com
Intrep.com
LiveOps.com
VIPDesk.com
VoiceLog.com
WorkingSolutions.com

Writing & Transcription

AbsoluteWrite.com
AssociatedContent.com
BloggingAds.com
EditFast.com
Helium.com
JustAsk.com
LivePerson.com
ModernDayScribe.com
MysteryShop.org
PayPerPost.com
ProductionTranscriptions.com
WriterFind.com

Sales - Selling From Home Opportunities

Home Decor

EthnicExpressions.com
HomeAndGardenParty.com
Longaberger.com
MyPrivateQuarters.com
OurOwnImage.com
PartyLite.com
PrincessHouse.com
SignatureHomestyle.com
SouthernLivingAtHome.com

Kitchens / Cooking / Food

PamperedChef.com
TastefullySimple.com
TheTravelingVineyard.com
Tupperware.com

Clothing

CarlisleCollection.com
EssentialBodywear.com
WorthNY.com

Personal Care

Arbonne.com
Avon.com
BeautiControl.com
GoldCanyon.com
JordanEssentials.com
MaryKay.com
Senegence.com

Health & Wellness

Shaklee.com

Jewelery

AngelaMoore.com
BeadRetreat.com
CookieLee.com
GemStyle.com
LiaSophia.com
pubcan.fifthavenuecollection.com
Silpada.com

Pet Products

ShurePets.com

Hobbies / Arts & Crafts

CreativeMemories.com
DiscoveryToys.com
StampinUp.com

Gardening

TheHappyGardener.info

Not Everyone will be Happy

RetirementJobs.com understands that not everyone will agree with the organizations we have included or excluded. We're certain we'll hear from many of the scammers who will object to their exclusion from our list - we regret they will be offended. We may also hear from you about your favorable or unfavorable experience with organizations included in the list - we want to hear from you. We also want to hear from you if we have failed to include an organization that you believe to be legitimate. Please send all comments to premium@retirementjobs.com.