



FCC AFFORDABLE CONNECTIVITY PROGRAM

The Affordable Connectivity Program is an FCC benefit program that helps ensure that households can afford the **broadband** they need for work, school, healthcare and more. The benefit provides a discount of up to \$30 per month toward internet service for eligible households and up to \$75 per month for households on qualifying Tribal lands. Eligible households can also receive a one-time discount of up to \$100 to purchase a laptop, desktop computer, or tablet from participating providers if they contribute more than \$10 and less than \$50 toward the purchase price. The Affordable Connectivity Program is limited to one monthly service discount and one device discount per household. For more information, please visit: <https://www.fcc.gov/acp>

Who Is Eligible for the Affordable Connectivity Program?

To participate in the program, subscribers must either have an income that is at or below 200% of the federal Poverty Guidelines <https://aspe.hhs.gov/poverty-guidelines> or participate in certain assistance programs.

FCC LIFELINE PROGRAM

Lifeline is the FCC's program to help make communications services more affordable for low-income consumers. Lifeline provides subscribers a discount on qualifying **monthly telephone service**, broadband Internet service, or bundled voice-broadband packages purchased from participating **wireline or wireless providers**. Lifeline provides a discount on monthly service of \$9.25 per month for eligible low-income subscribers. Subscribers may receive a Lifeline discount on either a wireline or a wireless service but may not receive a discount on both services at the same time. Participating wireless carriers will provide a no cost smartphone with talk, text, and limited data. For more information, please visit:

<https://www.fcc.gov/general/lifeline-program-low-income-consumers>

Who Is Eligible for the Lifeline Program?

To participate in the program, subscribers must either have an income that is at or below 135% of the federal Poverty Guidelines <https://aspe.hhs.gov/poverty-guidelines> or participate in certain assistance programs.

See below for more information on either the Affordable Connectivity Program or Lifeline Program.

For a list of companies in RI that offer Lifeline and the Affordable Connectivity Program (ACP) services, please visit: <https://data.usac.org/publicreports/CompaniesNearMe/State/StateOption/RI>

If you have questions or would like an application mailed to you, contact Lifeline at (800) 234-9473 or LifelineSupport@usac.org.