

Affordable Connectivity Program

A federal program that provides a discount on monthly broadband bills for qualified households.

Can provide sustainable, affordability for home internet (and sometimes a device).

BUT can be difficult to access.

WHAT DOES ACP PROVIDE?



Monthly \$30 discount on most internet subscriptions and associated equipment or a \$75 discount on qualified Tribal lands.



Discount of up to \$100 for a connected device (laptop, tablet, or desktop computer) if offered by same internet provider, after a copay of \$10-\$50.

WHAT IS A HOUSEHOLD?

- Each household can only receive one ACP benefit.
 - A **household** is a group of people who **live together and share money**.
- There are many qualifying criteria options.
- Any member of a household can make the household eligible (even if only a child qualifies).

<https://acpbenefit.org/do-i-qualify/what-is-a-household>



WHO QUALIFIES?

Households whose income is 200% or less than the Federal Poverty Guidelines

Household Size	48 Contiguous States, D.C., and Territories	Alaska	Hawaii
1	\$27,180	\$33,980	\$31,260
2	\$36,620	\$45,780	\$42,120
3	\$46,060	\$57,580	\$52,980
4	\$55,500	\$69,380	\$63,840
For each additional person, add:	\$9,440	\$11,800	\$10,860

Current as of July 2022. Check for most up-to-date info at <https://acpbenefit.org/do-i-qualify/>

WHO QUALIFIES?

Households who participate in certain **federal assistance** programs such as:

SNAP or WIC

Medicaid

Supplemental Security Income (SSI)

Federal Public Housing Assistance (FPHA)

Veterans Pension and Survivors Benefit

Received a Federal Pell Grant in the current year

Households that participate in some Tribal programs

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WHO QUALIFIES?

Households who already receive **Lifeline** benefits
and/or
an **ISP low-cost internet plan**:

- automatically qualify for ACP
- can receive both benefits at the same time



WHO QUALIFIES?

Households that include a child who is approved for the **Free and Reduced-Price School Lunch Program** or School Breakfast Program or **attends a Community Eligibility Provision** schools.



HOW DO HOUSEHOLDS APPLY?

- Lifeline customers
- Those who already have a home internet subscription

Contact internet service provider.

New subscribers or those interested in changing providers

Start with the National Verifier or ACPBenefit.org

WHICH ISPs PARTICIPATE?

A list of participating companies can be found online:

<https://www.fcc.gov/affordable-connectivity-program-providers>

- Those providing devices are marked in this list.
- The online list is extensive.
- All plans offered by a participating ISP should be eligible.

<https://acpbenefit.org/companies-near-me/>

TIPS FOR HELPING COMMUNITY MEMBERS

- Talk about household priorities (e.g. cost, mobility, speed, device, etc.)
- Approach ISPs armed with knowledge. Persistence and follow-up may be required.
- Create a teaching moment when preparing documentation.
- Identify common low-cost options to stack with ACP discount.