

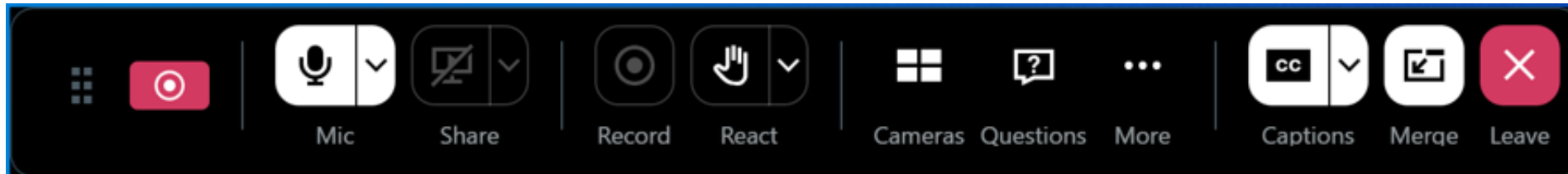
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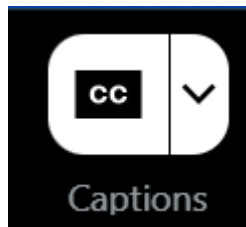
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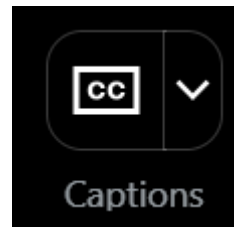
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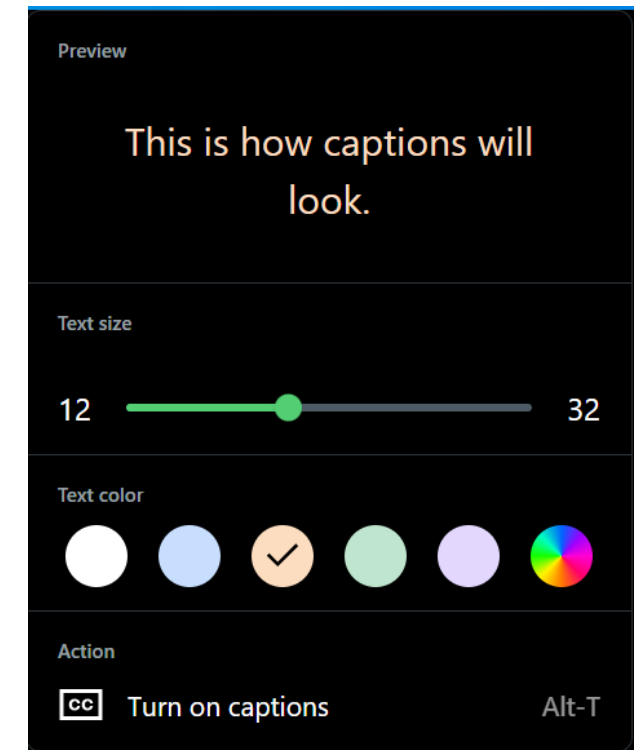
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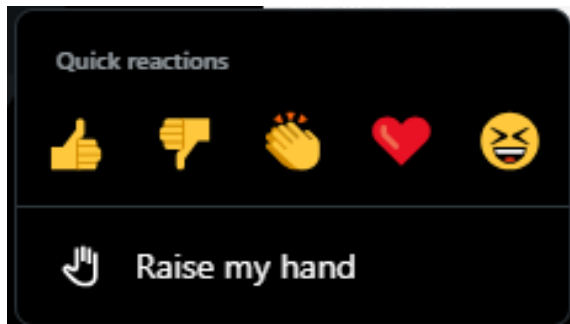
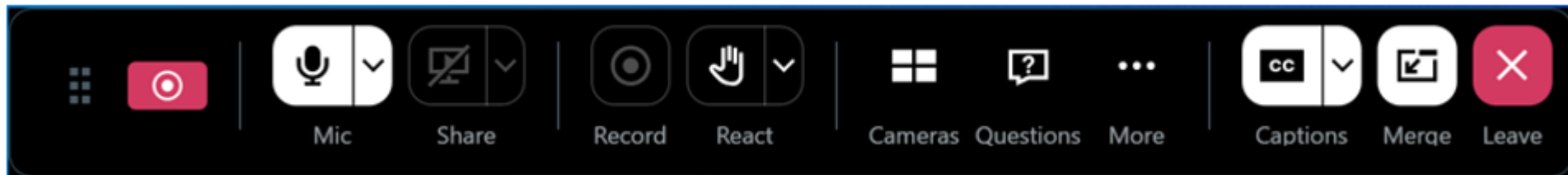


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Agenda

- Announcements
- Introduction to USAC
- Lifeline Program Overview
- How to Apply for Lifeline
- Providing Additional Information
- Resources

Announcements

Upcoming Dates

- **E-Rate and Tribal**

- Tribal Library E-Rate Advocacy Program (T-LEAP) Summer Kick-Off – June 24, 2025, at 4 p.m. ET – [Register](#)
- Beginning E-Rate Services – July 8, 2025, at 4 p.m. ET – [Register](#)

- **E-Rate**

- Invoicing: Applicants & Service Providers– June 12, 2025, at 2 p.m. ET – [Register](#)

- **Lifeline**

- Representative Accountability Database (RAD) 101 – June 11, 2025, at 3 p.m. ET – [Register](#)

- **Service Providers**

- E-Rate Service Providers – June 24, 2025, at 2 p.m. ET - [Register](#)
- Revenue Reporting for VoIP Resellers – June 11, 2025, at 2 p.m. ET – [Register](#)

Announcements

FCC Form 481

- All service providers participating in the Lifeline and/or High Cost programs must file and certify the FCC Form 481 on an annual basis.
 - This form collects financial and operational information, which USAC uses to validate service provider support.
- The filing window is now open, and service providers must log into [One Portal](#) to access and certify the FCC Form 481 **by July 1, 2025**.
- For more information on the form requirements, please review USAC's [Annual Requirements webpage](#) and High Cost's webinar on [Filing Form 481](#).

A tall, lattice-structured communication tower stands on the right side of the frame, silhouetted against a vibrant sunset sky. The tower is equipped with several large, circular parabolic antennas and smaller directional antennas. The sky transitions from a deep blue at the top to a bright orange and yellow near the horizon, with wispy clouds catching the low light. In the foreground, a calm body of water reflects the colors of the sky. In the distance, a range of low mountains or hills is visible under the twilight sky.

Everyone. Connected.

Who We Are: The Universal Service Administrative Company

- The **Universal Service Administrative Company** (USAC) is an independent, not-for-profit organization designated by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC).
- USAC is responsible for administering the **USF** and its four programs.
- The USF exists to ensure that all people in the United States have access to quality and affordable connectivity services.



Lifeline Program

Discounted phone and internet service to eligible low-income consumers.



E-Rate Program

Funding for broadband services to eligible schools and libraries.



Rural Health Care Program

Funding for telecom and broadband services for eligible rural health care providers.

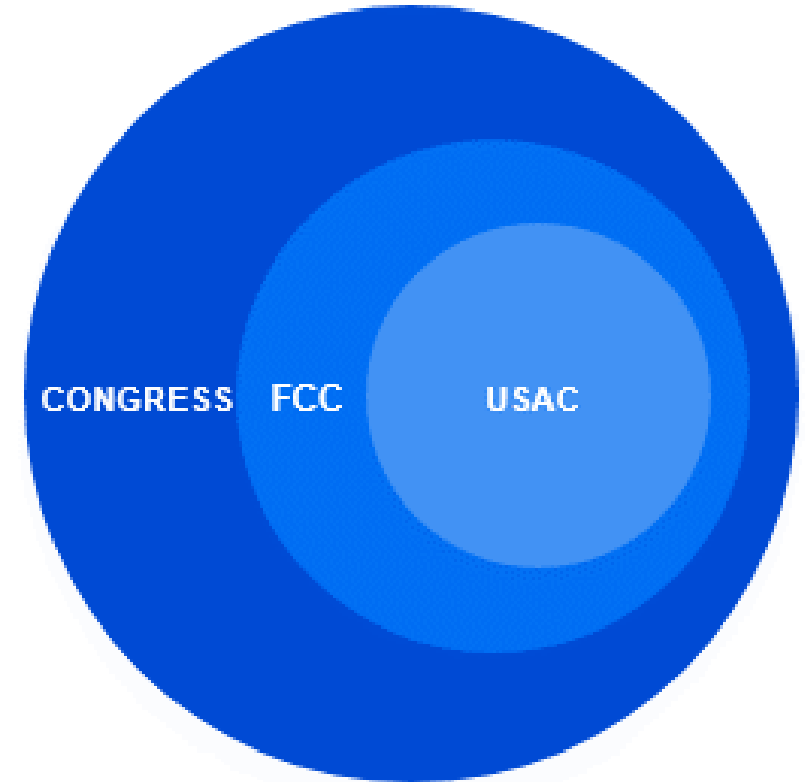


High Cost Program

Reduced rates for telecom and broadband services in eligible high-cost areas.

Overview: Who Makes the Rules?

- In the Telecommunications Act of 1996, Congress directed the FCC to establish the universal service programs.
- The FCC sets rules and policies for the USF programs and gives direction to USAC.
- USAC is responsible for the day-to-day administration of the USF in accordance with FCC requirements.



Lifeline Program Overview

Lifeline Program Overview

Lifeline Benefit

The Lifeline program is a federal benefit program that helps low-income households pay for phone or internet service.

- Eligible households can receive:

\$9.25 Standard Benefit

Up to \$9.25/month discount for internet or bundled services or up to \$5.25/month for phone service that meets the [minimum service standards](#).

\$34.25 Tribal Benefit

Up to \$34.25/month discount for households on [qualifying Tribal lands](#).

\$100 Link Up Benefit

A one-time discount of up to \$100 off the initial setup fees at addresses on qualifying Tribal lands receiving voice service from certain service providers.

\$9.25 Survivor Benefit

A \$9.25/month discount for phone, internet, or bundled services for up to 6 months for [survivors who qualify](#).

- The Lifeline benefit is limited to one monthly service discount per household.

Lifeline Program Overview

How to Qualify

There are **three ways** a household can qualify for the **standard Lifeline** benefit:

- [Household income](#) at or below 135 percent of the Federal Poverty Guidelines.
- Participation in certain [federal assistance programs](#) such as SNAP, Medicaid, Supplemental Security Income, Federal Housing Assistance, or Veterans Pension and Survivors Benefit.
- Participation in certain [Tribal assistance programs](#) (only available to households that live on Tribal lands) such as Bureau of Indian Affairs General Assistance, Head Start, Tribal Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (Tribal TANF), or Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations.

How to Apply for Lifeline

Lifeline Program

How to Apply

Option 1:

Apply Online

- Visit LifelineSupport.org from any computer or mobile device to complete the electronic application and upload any required documentation.
- [Online Application Instructions](#) are available in 10 languages.

Option 2:

Apply by Mail

- Fill out a [Lifeline Application Form](#) ([Spanish](#)).
 - [Paper Application Instructions](#) are available in 10 languages.
- Mail the application and supporting documentation to the Lifeline Support Center.
 - PO Box 1000
Horseheads, NY 14845

Option 3:

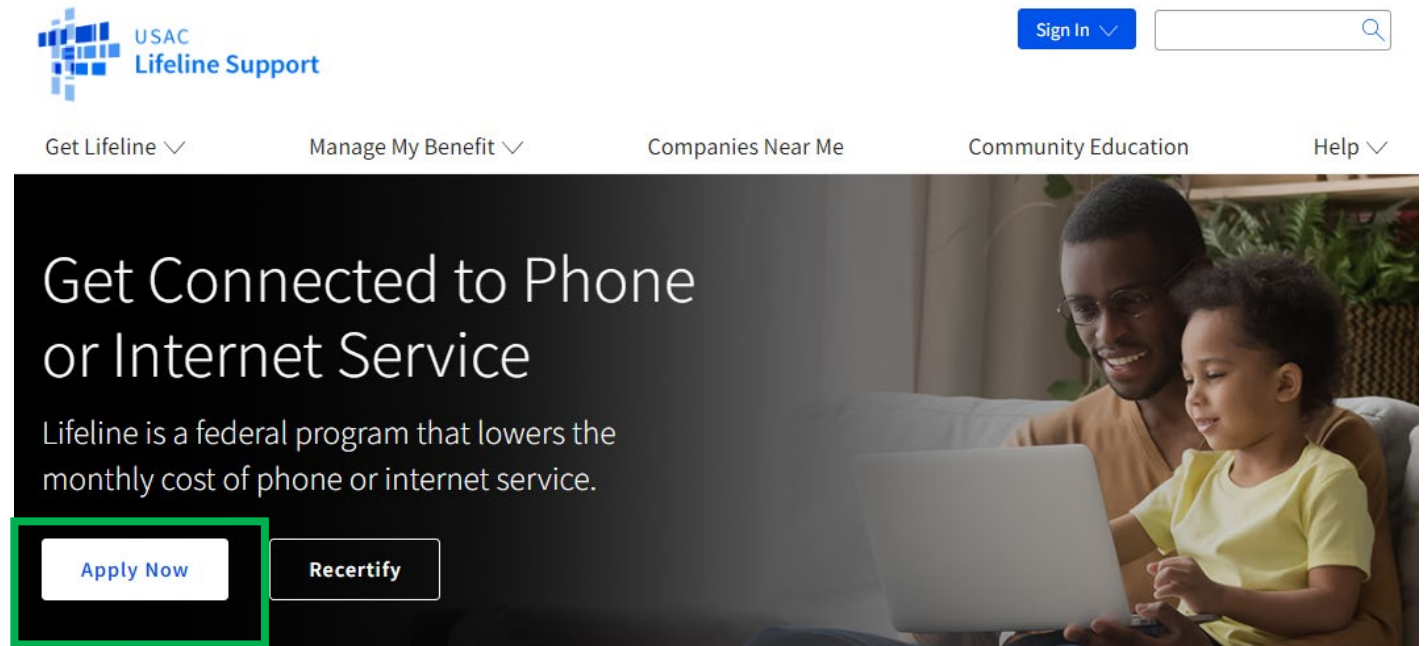
Apply with a Participating Company

- Ask your phone or internet company if they participate in Lifeline or use our [online tool](#) to find a participating company near you.
 - You may also be able to apply through the company's website if they make that option available.

How to Apply

Access the Application

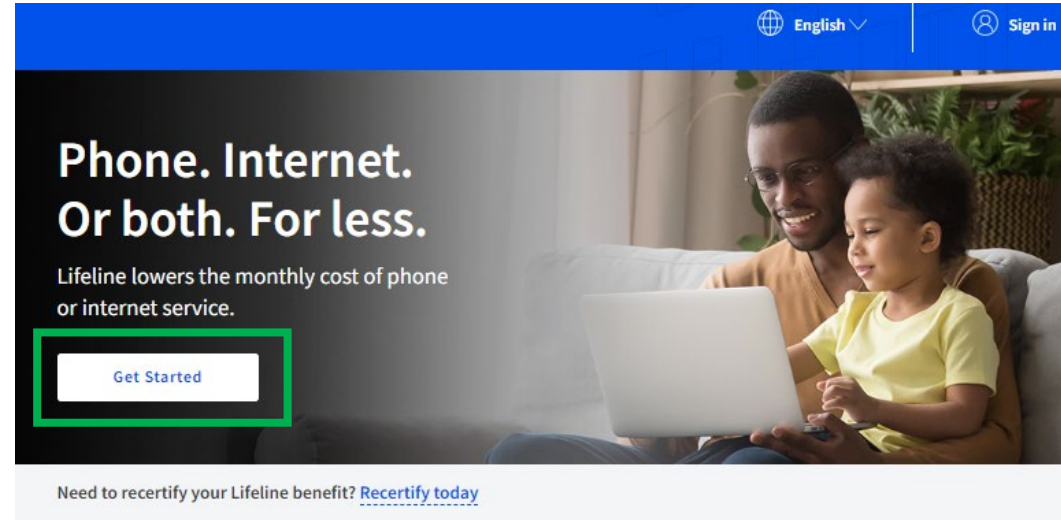
- The Lifeline application is available online at LifelineSupport.org.
- Select “**Apply Now**” to begin your application.



How to Apply

Landing Page

- You will be redirected to the application's landing page.
- Select “**Get Started**” to begin the application.



What are the program benefits?

Standard Lifeline Benefit

Phone, internet, or bundled service monthly discount up to \$9.25 for eligible subscribers.

Enhanced Tribal Benefit

Phone, internet, or bundled service monthly discount up to \$34.25 for those eligible subscribers living on Tribal lands.

How can I qualify?

- You, or your child or dependent are enrolled in government programs like Medicaid, SNAP, or others, or,
- Based on your household income

Learn more about [how to qualify](#).

Are you a survivor of domestic violence or human trafficking?

We provide additional safeguards to protect your information during the application process.

Learn more about [how to qualify as a survivor](#).

How to Apply

Personal Information (1/2)

- You will be asked to provide the following information:
 - Your first and last name as it appears on your official documentation.
 - Your date of birth.
 - The last 4 digits of your Social Security Number or your full Tribal ID Number.
 - Your home address.

Fill out your information

We will only use this information to see if you are eligible for a discount on your phone, internet, or bundled service.

What is your full legal name?

The name you use on official documents, like your Social Security Card or State ID. Not a nickname.

First Name

Middle Name (Optional)

Last Name(s)

If you have multiple last names put them all into the box below.

What is your date of birth?

Month

Day

Year

How do you want us to check your identity?

We'll use this information to see if you're eligible. It won't affect your credit status.

☐ Social Security Number (SSN)

Enter the last four digits of your Social Security Number.

☒ Number on Tribal ID

Enter your Tribal Identification Number.

Tribal ID Number

What is your home address?


It cannot be a P.O. Box.

Street Number and Name

Apt, Unit, etc.

City

State

Zip Code

How to Apply

Personal Information (2/2)

- Confirm if you qualify for the benefit through yourself or through a child or dependent.
 - Select “**No**” if you qualify by yourself.
 - Select “**Yes**” if you qualify through your child or dependent.
- Click “**Next**.”

Do you qualify for Lifeline through your child or a dependent?

If you do not qualify on your own, you can sign up for Lifeline through your child or dependent if they participate in any of the qualifying programs.



No, I qualify by myself.



Yes, I qualify through my child or dependent.

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Child or Dependent's Information

- If you qualify through a child or dependent, you will be asked to provide that person's information.
- Enter the required information and select “**Next**” to continue.

Fill out your child or dependent's information

We'll use this information to see if you are eligible through your child or dependent.

What is their full legal name?

The name you use on official documents, like your Social Security Card or State ID. Not a nickname.

First Name

Middle Name (Optional)

Last Name(s)

If they have multiple last names put them all into the box below.

What is their date of birth?

Month

Day

Year

How do you want us to check their identity?

We'll use this information to see if they're eligible. It won't affect their credit status.

☐ **Social Security Number (SSN)**

Enter the last four digits of their Social Security Number.

☒ **Number on Tribal ID**

Enter their Tribal Identification Number.

Tribal ID Number

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How to Apply

Create Account (1/2)

- Create a username and password to set up your account and sign in.
 - Your username can be an email address or a unique ID.
 - Your password must be a mix of letters, numbers, and symbols.

Create Your Account

Making an account will let us keep your information safe. It will also let you save it and come back to it any time.

Choose your username.

Choose something you can easily remember like your email address or your name in some form. Save this information somewhere secure because you will need to use it again.

Username

Choose your password.

Make sure it is something you can remember. Save this information somewhere secure because you will need to use it again.

Password Requirements

- ⓘ At least 8 characters long
- ⓘ At least 1 capital letter
- ⓘ At least 1 number (0-9)
- ⓘ At least 1 special character (!@#\$%^&*)
- ⓘ No restricted phrases ⓘ

Password

☐ Show Password

Confirm Password

Type the same password again.

☐ Show Password

How to Apply

Create Account (2/2)

- Provide your contact information:
 - Email address (required)
 - Phone number (optional)
 - Mailing address (if it is different from your home address)
- Select your preferred language (optional).
 - English
 - Spanish
 - Both
- Agree to the “**Terms & Conditions**” by checking the box, and then select “**Submit**”.

Your Contact Information

What is your email address?
We will use your email to send you important reminders and information about your application and enrollment.

☐ I want to provide an alternate email.

What is your phone number? (Optional)

By providing a phone number, you consent to letting USAC contact you at that phone number via artificial or prerecorded voice message or text for important reminders and updates about your Lifeline benefit. For text messages, message and data rates may apply. Text STOP to end messages.

Do you want to provide a mailing address? (Optional) ⓘ

☐ Yes, my mailing address is different than home address

What is your preferred language? (Optional)

We will send you outreach about the status of your application in the language(s) you select.

☐ English
☐ Español
☐ Both

Terms & Conditions

☐ By checking this box, I accept the [terms and conditions](#) of the National Verifier system.

Questions?

How to Apply

Account Homepage

- Select “**Start Lifeline Application**” on your account homepage to begin your application.

Welcome

The National Verifier is a tool to help you confirm your eligibility for the Lifeline program.

My Profile

Get Started Need Help?

Start or return to your Lifeline application

To start an application for Lifeline, select *Start Lifeline Application*.

Do you already have an application?

You can check the My Applications table below to see if you already have an application. To return to an incomplete application, select the Return to Application button. If you need to edit an application, please review the Need Help section.

My Applications

Here are all your applications from the last 180 days. You can start a new application when your last one expires.

Return to Application		Start Lifeline Application		
Application Type	Application ID	Application Created	Expiration Date	Status
Start an application to see if you qualify.				

How to Apply

Qualifying Programs

- Select **all** the programs you participate in to confirm how you qualify.
 - If you do not participate in any of the listed programs, you can also qualify based on income or through a child or dependent.
- Select “**Next**”.

Confirm your program participation

Which of the following programs do you participate in?

Check all that apply.

- ☐ SNAP (Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program) or Food Stamps [?](#)
- ☐ Medicaid
- ☐ Supplemental Security Income (SSI)
- ☐ Federal Housing Assistance [?](#)
- ☐ Veterans Pension and Survivors Benefit Programs
- ☒ Tribal Specific Program (only choose if you live on Tribal lands)
- ☐ I don't think I participate in any of these programs, I may qualify through my **income**.
- ☐ I don't participate in any of these, but I have a **child or dependent** who may. [?](#)

Which Tribal specific programs do you have? (Check all that apply.)

- ☐ Bureau of Indian Affairs General Assistance
- ☐ Tribally-Administered Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TTANF)
- ☐ Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR)
- ☐ Head Start (only if your household meets the Head Start income qualifying standard)

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How to Apply


Review Your Information

- Review the information you provided.
 - If you need to make corrections, select “**Edit**”.
- Review the consent statement and check the box to confirm the information you provided can be used to check if you qualify for Lifeline.
- Select “**Submit**” to continue.

Review Your Information

Before we check if you qualify for Lifeline, make sure your information is right.

Double check the information below.

Full Legal Name:	Cherry Blossom	 Edit
Date of Birth:	March 18, 2000	
Tribal ID Number:	555555555	
Address:	123 Cherry Blossom St Cherry, AK 11111	

The information you gave us will be used to check if you qualify for Lifeline. Please confirm that it is okay.

☐ By checking this box you are consenting that all of the information you are providing may be collected, used, shared, and retained for the purposes of applying for and/or receiving Lifeline.

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Submit

How to Apply

Agreement Page

- Review each statement and initial each box to consent to the information.
- Sign the agreement electronically with your first and last name.
- Click “**Submit**” to complete the application.

Agreement

You are almost done qualifying. Please initial next to each statement and sign this form to finish the process.

I agree, under penalty of perjury, to the following statements:

Initial <input type="text"/>	I (or my dependent or other person in my household) currently get benefits from the government program(s) listed on this form or my annual household income is 135% or less than the Federal Poverty Guidelines (the amount listed in the Federal Poverty Guidelines table on this form).
Initial <input type="text"/>	I agree that if I move I will give my service provider my new address within 30 days.
Initial <input type="text"/>	I understand that I have to tell my service provider within 30 days if I do not qualify for Lifeline anymore, including: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. I, or the person in my household that qualifies, do not qualify through a government program or income anymore. 2. Either I or someone in my household gets more than one Lifeline benefit (including, more than one Lifeline broadband internet service, more than one Lifeline telephone service, or both Lifeline telephone and Lifeline broadband internet services).
Initial <input type="text"/>	I know that my household can only get one Lifeline benefit and, to the best of my knowledge, my household is not getting more than one Lifeline benefit. ?
Initial <input type="text"/>	I agree that all of the information I provide on this form may be collected, used, shared, and retained for the purposes of applying for and /or receiving the Lifeline Program benefit. I understand that if this information is not provided to the Lifeline Program Administrator, I will not be able to get Lifeline benefits. If the laws of my state or Tribal government require it, I agree that the state or Tribal government may share information about my benefits for a qualifying program with the Lifeline Program Administrator. The information shared by the state or Tribal government will be used only to help find out if I can get a Lifeline Program benefit.

Initial <input type="text"/>	All the answers and agreements that I provided on this form are true and correct to the best of my knowledge.
Initial <input type="text"/>	I know that willingly giving false or fraudulent information to get Lifeline Program benefits is punishable by law and can result in fines, jail time, de-enrollment, or being barred from the program.
Initial <input type="text"/>	My service provider may have to check whether I still qualify at any time. If I need to recertify my Lifeline benefit, I understand that I have to respond by the deadline or I will be removed from the Lifeline Program and my Lifeline benefit will stop.
Initial <input type="text"/>	If I am seeking to qualify for Lifeline as an eligible resident of Tribal lands, I live on Tribal lands, as defined in 54.400(c) of the Lifeline rules. ?

Your Signature

Type your full legal name below

Cherry Blossom

☐ I understand this is a digital signature, and is the same as if I signed my name with a pen.

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[Submit](#)

How to Apply

Agreement Page - Approved

- Once the application has been reviewed, you will be informed if you have been approved for Lifeline.
 - You will need to follow the instructions and sign up with a participating phone or internet company by the deadline provided on the application.
- To check if you qualify for the enhanced Tribal benefit, select “**Do you live on Tribal lands**”.

Contact a phone or internet company to get your benefit

You're approved to get your Lifeline benefit. **Sign up by June 16, 2025.**

What to do next

If you already have service

Contact your phone or internet company and say, "I have been approved for the Lifeline program and would like to apply it to my service."

If you don't currently have service

[Find a phone or internet company](#) in your area and say, "I have been approved for the Lifeline program and would like to sign up for service."

Application ID:

Q68398-02211

Full legal name

Cherry Blossom

Address:

**123 CHERRY BLOSSOM ST,
CHERRY, AK 11111**

Method of identity verification:

Last 4 digits of SSN

Do you live on Tribal lands?



Need to find an internet company near you?



Need help? Contact the Lifeline Support Center at [\(800\) 234-9473](tel:8002349473) 7 days a week, from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. ET or email us at LifelineSupport@usac.org.

How to Apply

Confirm Tribal Benefit

- Select “**Confirm Tribal Qualification**”.
 - USAC will verify if your address is on qualifying Tribal lands. If it is, you will receive a monthly benefit of up to \$34.25.

Live on Tribal lands? Press the button below to see if you qualified for Tribal benefits:

Confirm Tribal Qualification

Confirmed Tribal: Yes
Latitude: 39.7703351517527
Longitude: -103.2620242403591
Coordinate Source: Automated

Need help? Call the Lifeline Support Center at [1-800-234-9473](tel:1-800-234-9473)

How to Apply

Find a Company

- Use the [Companies Near Me](#) tool to find a phone or internet company that participates in Lifeline.
- To find a company,
 - Enter your ZIP code or city and state.
 - Select Lifeline under Program.
 - Select “**Search**” to view a list of your local providers.

Companies Near Me

This tool can help you find companies in your area that offer [Lifeline](#), which can reduce the cost of your phone or internet service by providing a monthly discount.

If you previously received the Affordable Connectivity Program (ACP) benefit, you should check to see if you qualify for [Lifeline](#). Due to a lack of additional funding from Congress, the ACP stopped accepting new applications as of February 7, 2024. The last fully funded month of the ACP was April 2024, and the program has ended for now.

Find a Company

Enter Your Zip Code

Example: 12345

OR

Enter Your City and State

Select a Program:

☐ Lifeline

Search

Clear Results

Poll

Providing Additional Information

Providing Additional Information

Outcome of Eligibility Check

- If we could not verify your eligibility, you will receive specific information on what could not be confirmed and what additional documentation you need to provide.
- To update your application, select “**Next**”.

We need more information to see if you qualify

A few things happened:

- Someone at your address already gets the Lifeline benefit; please answer some questions about your living situation to find out if you're eligible.
- We couldn't verify who you are; please attach a photo of a document that shows your identity information.
- We couldn't confirm your eligibility; please attach a photo of a document that shows you (or your child or dependent) participate in a government assistance program or your income.

What to do next

You need to provide additional information in order to qualify for the Lifeline program.

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Providing Additional Information

Confirm Address


- You may be asked to confirm your address by clicking on the map and moving the pin to your address.
- The latitude and longitude coordinates will automatically be filled in once the pin is placed.

Find your address on the map below


We couldn't find your address, please show us where you live on the map.

How to find your address on the map


To show us where you live, click on the map to move the pin to your address. The pin will automatically fill in the longitude and latitude coordinates of your address.




To move the map, click on the map, hold down, and move it until you find your area.




Click on the zoom buttons to zoom in and out.



When you find where you live on the map, click the spot on the map to place the pin.



To move the pin, click a new spot on the map.



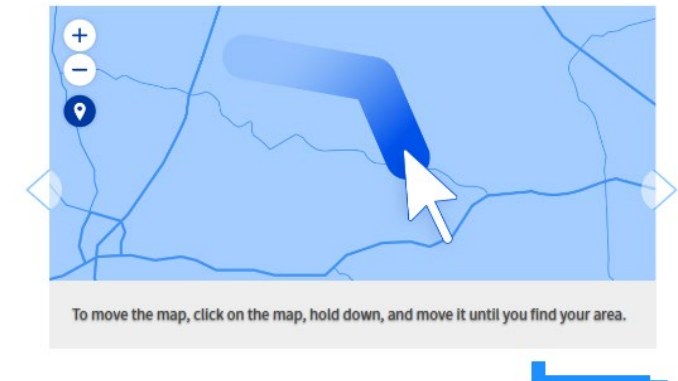
Latitude

Longitude

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Having trouble with the map?

To show us where you live, click on the map to move the pin to your address. The pin will automatically fill in the longitude and latitude coordinates of your address.



Your coordinates will automatically be filled in once the pin is placed. You can also find your latitude and longitude coordinates using [Google Maps](#). If you need help please reference the [instructions](#) for using Google Maps.

How can I edit my information or add a child or dependent?

Need Help? Contact the Lifeline Support Center at (800) 234-9473 or at LifelineSupport@usac.org

Providing Additional Information

Proof of Eligibility

- If your eligibility cannot be confirmed, you can select one of two options:
 - You can provide income documentation (three consecutive months of pay stubs, last year's tax return, or a social security statement),
 - Or you can provide documentation showing you participate in a qualifying program (e.g., Tribal TANF, Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations, SNAP, or Medicaid).

Share more information to see if you qualify

With your help, we can confirm you qualify in a few more steps.

Do you have a document that shows your income?

- ☒ Yes. I have a document such as pay stubs, last year's tax return, or a social security statement.
- ☐ No. But I have a document that shows I (or my child or dependent) participate in a program such as SNAP or Medicaid.

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Providing Additional Information

Proof of Eligibility

- Upload a document to show your program participation that includes:
 - Your name or your child or dependent's name.
 - The name of the program.
 - The name of the issuing agency.
 - An issue date within the last 12 months or expiration date in the future.

Document Requirements

Provide a document that includes:

- Your name, or your dependent's name
- The name of the qualifying program, such as SNAP
- The name of the government, Tribal entity, or program administrator that issued the document
- An issue date within the last 12 months or expiration date (in the future)

Document examples:

- Benefit award letter
- Statement of benefits
- Benefit verification letter
- Screenshot of online benefits portal

How to add your photo or scanned copy

Please attach a picture or scanned copy of your document. Files must be less than 10 MB and one of the following file types: jpg, jpeg, png, pdf, or gif.

- Make sure your image is not blurry
- Make sure your document is not cut off and we can see all four sides
- Make sure you have good lighting

Choose file

You will have until 9/6/2024 to complete this section so we can determine whether you qualify for Lifeline. If you do not complete this by then, you will need to come back to this site and fill this form out again.

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Proof of Eligibility

- If you qualify based on your income, you will be asked to list how many people live in your household.
- A household consists of people who share income and expenses (e.g., a married couple who live together are one household with two people).
- Next, you will be asked a few questions about your annual income.

Share more information to see if you qualify based on income

You may qualify if your annual income meets certain requirements.

How many people live in your household? ?

Number of people in my household:

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Providing Additional Information

Proof of Eligibility

- The document you upload to show your income must include:
 - Your name or your child or dependent's name.
 - Your annual income.
 - An issue date within the last 12 months.

Share proof of your income

Your document must include:

1. Your name, or your child or dependent's name
2. Your annual income is at or below \$25,394
3. An issue date within the last 12 months

Here are common examples

- Your prior year's state, federal, or Tribal tax return
- Current annual income statement from your job
- A Social Security statement of benefits
- An unemployment or worker's compensation statement of benefits
- A Federal or Tribal notice letter of participation in General Assistance
- A divorce decree or child support award
- An official document with a date in the last 12 months showing your annual income. Or official documents showing your income for three months in a row. This could be pay stubs that are dated within the last 12 months.

How to add your photo or scanned copy

Please attach a picture or scanned copy of your document. Files must be less than 10 MB and one of the following file types: jpg, jpeg, png, pdf, or gif.

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Choose a file

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Providing Additional Information

Proof of Tribal ID Number

- You may be required to upload documents to verify your Tribal ID Number.
- Documents must include:
 - Your first and last name.
 - Your Tribal ID Number.

Share proof of your Tribal ID Number

Your document must include:

- Your first and last name:
- Your Tribal ID Number:

Here are common examples:

- A Tribal ID card
- An official certificate or letter from your tribe's enrollment office
- A Certificate of Degree of Indian Blood (CDIB)

Common mistakes:

- Some CDIB cards do not include the required information. If yours does not, then it will not be accepted.

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Proof of SSN

- You may be required to upload documents to verify your Social Security Number (SSN).
- Documents must include:
 - Your first and last name.
 - The last 4 digits of your SSN.

Share proof of your Social Security number (SSN)

Your document must include:

- Your first and last name:
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- The last four digits of your Social Security number:
xxx-xx-1234

Here are common examples:

- A Social Security Card
- A Social Security Benefit Statement (SSA-1099)
- A W-2 from the last 2 years
- A prior year's state, federal, or Tribal tax return

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Proof of Date of Birth

- You may need to upload documents to verify your date of birth.
- These documents must include your:
 - First and last name.
 - Date of birth.

Share proof of your date of birth

Your document must include:

- Your first and last name:
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- Your date of birth:
March 18, 2000

Here are common examples:

- A Driver's license that is not expired
- A Passport that is not expired
- A birth certificate
- A U.S. government, military, state or Tribal issued ID that includes your date of birth and is not expired
- A Certificate of Naturalization, Certificate of U.S. Citizenship, or Consular Matricular ID

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Proof of Life

- You may be asked to upload documents that confirm you are alive.
- Documentation must include:
 - Your first and last name.
 - An issue date within the last three months.

Share proof of life

Your document must include:

- Your first and last name:
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- An issue date within the last three months

Here are common examples:

- A current utility bill
- A paystub
- A mortgage or lease statement
- A retirement or pension statement of benefits
- A notarized letter that confirms your identity and that you are alive

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Document Review

- If you are required to submit more documentation, you will receive a message that USAC is reviewing your documents.
- Once the review is complete, you will receive an email or mail notification about the status of your application.
 - If your information cannot be confirmed, you will receive instructions on how to submit additional documentation.
 - If your application is approved, you will receive instructions on what to do next to start receiving your benefit.

We are reviewing your documents

It generally takes about 15 minutes, but could be up to 2 days.

We'll email you when our review is complete. You can check the status of your application at any time on your [account homepage](#).

Application ID:

Q97155-22865

Need Help? Contact the Lifeline Support Center at [\(800\) 234-9473](tel:8002349473) or at LifelineSupport@usac.org

Questions?

Resources

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- Visit LifelineSupport.org for general information on Lifeline and to apply.
 - Review the [Tribal Benefit](#) page.
 - View the [Tribal Flyer](#) for an overview of the Enhanced Tribal Benefit.
- For questions, assistance, and general application inquiries, email LifelineSupport@usac.org and cc our Tribal Liaison at TribalLiaison@usac.org.
 - The Lifeline Customer Support Center can also be reached at (800) 234-9473 and is available seven days a week from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. ET.

Thank You!

