CLAIM YOUR AFFORDABLE CONNECTIVITY PROGRAM BENEFIT

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## FACT SHEET: Sign up to save on your internet bills today!

## What is the Affordable Connectivity Program (ACP)?

The Affordable Connectivity Program (ACP) is a new program created by the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law to lower internet costs. ACP provides eligible households up to \$30/month (or \$75/month on Tribal lands) off their internet bills, as well as a one-time \$100 discount off a laptop, tablet, or computer.

To further lower costs, the Biden-Harris Adminstration worked with internet service providers across the country to offer high-speed plans that are fully covered by ACP. As a result, millions of families can now get high-speed internet without paying a dime.

## CHECK YOUR ELIGIBILITY AND SIGN UP TO SAVE TODAY AT GETINTERNET.GOV.

#### Who is eligible?

Tens of millions of U.S. households are eligible for ACP. You are eligible if any one of these applies:

- Your household income is 200% of the Federal Poverty Guidelines or less (\$55,500 for a family of four).
- Your household is eligible, regardless of income, if at least one person in the household participates in:
  - Supplemental Nutrition Assistance
    Program (SNAP)
  - Medicaid
  - Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC)
  - Supplemental Security Income (SSI)
  - Federal Public Housing Assistance
  - Veterans Pension and Survivors Benefit
  - Federal Pell Grant (current year)

- Free and Reduced-Price School Lunch or Breakfast Program, including Community Eligibility Provision schools
- Bureau of Indian Affairs General Assistance
- Tribal Head Start (if meet the relevant income qualifying standard)
- Tribal Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (Tribal TANF)
- Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations
- Your household meets the eligibility criteria for a participating provider's existing low-income plan.

#### How do I enroll?

- **Step 1: Claim your ACP benefit** by visiting <u>GetInternet.gov</u> to submit an application or to print out a mail-in application, calling 877-384-2575, <u>or</u> contacting a participating internet service provider.
- Step 2: Contact a participating internet service provider to choose an internet plan.

## Which providers offer fully covered plans?

- Allo Communications altaFiber / Hawaiian Telcom Astound AT&T Breezeline
- Comcast Comporium Cox Communications Frontier IdeaTek Jackson Energy Authority

MediacomCable MLGC Optimum / Suddenlink Spectrum (Charter)\* Starry Verizon (Fios only) <u>Vermont Telephone</u> <u>Company</u> <u>Vexus Fiber</u> <u>Wow! Internet, Cable and</u> <u>TV</u> \*New subscribers only

## Visit <u>GetInternet.gov</u> or call 877-384-2575

to find more information about the Affordable Connectivity Program

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## **Sample Talking Points**

- High-speed internet is a necessity. Still, too many families go without high-speed internet because of the cost or have to cut back on other essentials to make their monthly internet service payments.
- That's why President Biden and Vice President Harris worked with Democrats, Republicans, and Independents to include the Affordable Connectivity Program (ACP) in the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law.
- The ACP, which is operated by the Federal Communications Commission, provides eligible households up to \$30/month (or \$75/month on Tribal lands) off their internet bills, as well as a one-time \$100 discount off a laptop, tablet, or computer.
- To further lower costs, the Biden-Harris Adminstration worked with 20 internet service providers across the country—covering about 80% of the U.S. population—to offer high-speed plans that are fully covered by ACP. As a result, milions of families can now get high-speed internet without paying a dime.
  - These range from large providers like AT&T, Comcast, and Verizon serving dozens of states, to smaller providers serving rural areas like Jackson Energy Authority in Tennessee and Comporium in North Carolina.
- <u>GetInternet.gov</u> is the one-stop shop to check your eligibility, sign up to save, and find fully covered plans.
  - o <u>GetInternet.gov</u> is mobile-accessible and available in Spanish, including at <u>AccedeAInternet.gov</u>.
  - You can also call 877-384-2575 for more ways to apply.
- This is the largest internet affordability program in history. Tens of millions of U.S. households are eligible.
- You are eligible if any *one* of these applies:
  - Households with income at or below 200% of the federal poverty level (\$55,500 for a family of four) are eligible. (See <u>GetInternet.gov</u> for full chart of federal poverty level by household size.)
  - Households are also automatically eligible for the ACP—regardless of their income—if at least one member of the household receives benefits from certain existing federal programs, including Medicaid, National School Lunch Program or the School Breakfast Program (including children who attend schools participating in the Community Eligibility Provision), Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC), Federal Public Housing Assistance, Veterans Pension and Survivors Benefit, Supplemental Security Income (SSI), Federal Pell Grant (current award year), Lifeline, and certain Tribal assistance programs.
  - $\circ~$  The household meets the eligibility criteria for a participating provider's existing low-income internet program.

## ACP in Your Community: ACP Eligibility and Enrollment Data

- **State-by-State Enrollment Data:** For current state-by-state enrollment data, updated weekly, visit <u>https://tinyurl.com/ACPWeeklyData</u>
- **State-by-State Eligibility Data:** For state-by-state estimates of how many households are eligible, visit <a href="https://tinyurl.com/ACPEligibility">https://tinyurl.com/ACPEligibility</a>

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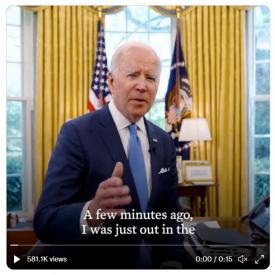
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## **Social Media Examples**



@POTUS United States government official

Today, we're launching a program that allows millions of American families to get high-speed internet for free. To learn if you qualify, head to GetInternet.gov.



<sup>5:21</sup> PM · May 9, 2022 · The White House

#### https://tinyurl.com/POTUSGetInternet



Vice President Kamala Harris 🥝 United States government official

Thanks to our Bipartisan Infrastructure Law, working families can get \$30 per month off their internet bill. and a \$100 discount off a laptop, desktop computer, or tablet. To see if you're eligible, visit GetInternet.Gov.



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#### https://tinyurl.com/VPOTUSGetInternet

- "Since launching GetInternet.Gov, the Biden-Harris Administration has enrolled 1 million new households • to save on high-speed internet through the Affordable Connectivity Program. Check whether you qualify for free high-speed internet at http://GetInternet.gov." - @WhiteHouse
- "This is a big deal! Access to high-speed internet is vital to a successful education in the 21st century. Go to . http://GetInternet.gov to learn more." -@SecCardona
- "If you or someone you know needs help paying for internet service, check out the Affordable Connectivity • Program, Learn more at http://GetInternet.gov" - @BrooksLaSureCMS
- "144,635 Nevada households have signed up for discounted internet, but another 300,000 are eligible! Tell friends about http://Getinternet.gov" - @HarisTalwar46
- "Over 150,000 Colorado households have already signed up for the Affordable Connectivity Program, offering high-speed internet for only \$30 a month. Head over to http://GetInternet.gov to see if you qualify!" -@SenatorHick
- "As part of @POTUS Biden's historic infrastructure law, the Affordable Connectivity Program provides eligible households \$30 per month off their internet bills. Learn more and see if you qualify http://GetInternet.Gov" - @RepMcGovern
- "Thanks to @TheDemocrats Bipartisan Infrastructure Package, 1.6M households in #LA now qualify for . FREE high-speed internet service thru the Affordable Connectivity Program. To check if you qualify or apply, call (877) 384-2575 (English or Spanish) or use http://GetInternet.Gov." - @JimmyGomezCA

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## Sample Text Messages

- "Hey Mesa, the Affordable Connectivity Program offers eligible households \$30 off your internet bill. To learn more, visit <u>getinternet.gov</u> or contact your internet service provider!" -City of Mesa, Arizona
- "Since you get SNAP, you can also get \$30 off your monthly internet bill and \$100 off a laptop, tablet, or computer through a federal program called the Affordable Connectivity Program. Learn more & apply: <a href="https://GetInternet.gov">https://GetInternet.gov</a>" Commonwealth of Massachusetts (message sent to SNAP clients)
- "You may be eligible for \$30 off your monthly internet bill and \$100 off a laptop, tablet, or computer through a federal program called the Affordable Connectivity Program. Learn more & apply: <u>https://GetInternet.gov</u>" – Commonwealth of Massachusetts (message sent to other constituents)

For additional ACP Consumer Outreach Tools, visit <u>https://www.fcc.gov/acp-consumer-outreach-toolkit</u>