Nez Perce Tribe Affordable Connectivity Program **Application Form**





About the ACP

The ACP
is a Federal
Communications
Commission (FCC)
program that
provides a monthly
internet service
discount and a
one-time connected
device benefit
from participating
internet companies
for qualifying lowincome consumers.

Rules

If you qualify, your household can receive a monthly Affordable Connectivity Program (ACP) benefit of up to \$50 to cover the cost of your internet service. Through the program, your internet company may also offer a one-time internet connected device benefit of up to \$100 for a computer, tablet, or laptop with a copayment of more than \$10 but less than \$50.

Your household cannot get the ACP benefit from more than one company. You are only allowed to get one ACP benefit per household, **not per person**.

You must be an enrolled member of a federally recognized tribe living on the Nez Perce Reservation and meet the income Federal poverty guidelines of 150%.

What is a household?

A household is a group of people who live together and share income and expenses (even if they are not related to each other). Complete the ACP household worksheet to determine if more than one qualifying household is located at your address. If more than one person in your household participates in the ACP, you are breaking the FCC's rules and will lose your benefit.

Do not give your benefit to another person

The ACP benefit is non-transferable. You cannot give your benefit to another person, even if they qualify for the ACP.

Be honest on this form

You must give accurate and true information on this form and on all ACP related forms or questionnaires. If you give false or fraudulent information, you will lose your benefit (i.e., de-enrollment or being barred from the program) and the United States government can take legal action against you. This may include (but is not limited to) fines or imprisonment.

You may need to show other documents

If the ACP Administrator is not able to validate that you or someone in your household qualify by checking available electronic resources (including eligibility databases for the FCC's government agency partners), you may need to provide additional documents. For example, you may need to provide an official document that proves your participation in a qualifying government assistance program, your income, or your identity. Please include copies of your proof documentation when you submit your application to speed up processing time.

Apply

To apply for the ACP, fill out the required sections of this form, initial every agreement statement, and sign on page 5.

Mail To:

Nez Perce Tribe Social Services
Financial Assistance
PO BOX 365
Lapwai, ID 83540
Or Email to: Tariciam@nezperce.org

sophiaa@nezperce.org

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Your Information

All fields are required unless indicated.

1. 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				
Middle (optional)			Suffix (optional)	
Last				
2. What is your phone number (if you have one)?	3. What i	3. What is your date of birth?		
	Month	Day	Year	
4. What is your email address? (Recommended)				
5. Identity Verification. Please select one of the fol a. If you would like to verify your identity using last four digits of your Social Security number (SS	your Social Se	ecurity numb	er, please enter the	
*Social Security numbers are not required to partici Program, but providing a Social Security number wi				
b. If you have and would like to use a Tribal Identification number to verify your identity, please enter it below.				
c . Driver's License, Military ID, Passport, Taxpay Government ID. Please select the type of identific				
Driver's License				
Military ID				
Passport				
Taxpayer Identification Number				
Other Government ID				
Please include a scanned copy or photo of your	form of iden	tification w	ith your application.	

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Your Information (continued)

* Must live on the Nez Perce Indian Reservation to be eligible

6. What is your home address? (The address where you will get service. Do not use a P.O. Box)				
Street Number and Name				
Apt., Unit, etc. City				
State Zip Code 7. Is this a temporary address? Yes No 8. Check if you live on Nez Perce Tribal				
7. Is this a temporary address? Yes No 8. Check if you live on Nez Perce Tribat lands* 9. What is your mailing address? (Only fill this out if it is not the same as your home address.)				
Street Number and Name				
Apt., Unit, etc. City				
State Zip Code				





Qualify for the ACP (continued)

Qualify through your income:

15. Including you, how many people live in your household? (check one)	16. Is your income the same or less than the amount listed for your state and household size? (only check yes or no next to your household size) All 48 States, DC, and Territories		
1	\$21,870	Yes No	
2	\$29,580	Yes No	
3	\$37,290	Yes No	
4	\$45,000	Yes No	
5	\$52,710	Yes No	
6	\$60,420	Yes No	
7	\$68,130	Yes No	
8	\$75,840	Yes No	
150% of the 2023 Federal Poverty Guid	alines	Yes No	

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^{*}The Federal Poverty Guidelines are typically updated at the end of January.

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Initial

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Agreement

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

You must initial next to each statement. If you fail to initial each statement, your application will be considered incomplete.

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 ACP benefit. For text messages, message and data rates may apply. Text STOP to end messages.

17. My annual household income is 150% or less than the Federal Poverty Guidelines (the amount listed in the Federal Poverty Guidelines table on this form). I live on the Nez Perce Reservation and am enrolled in a federally recognized tribe

18. I agree that if I move I will give my service provider my new address within 30 days.

19. I understand that I have to tell my service provider within 30 days if I do not qualify for the ACP anymore, including:

- 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 ACP benefit.

20. I know that my household can only get one ACP benefit and, to the best of my knowledge, my household is not getting more than one ACP benefit. I understand that I can only receive one connected device (desktop, laptop, or tablet) through the ACP, even if I switch ACP companies.

21. 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 ACP benefit. I understand that if this information is not provided to the Program Administrator, I will not be able to get ACP 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 ACP Administrator. The information shared by the state or Tribal government will be used only to help find out if I can get an ACP benefit.

22. For my household, I affirm and understand that the ACP is a federal government subsidy that reduces my broadband internet access service bill and at the conclusion of the program, my household will be subject to the company's undiscounted general rates, terms, and conditions if my household continues to subscribe to the service.

23. All the answers and agreements that I provided on this form are true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

24. I know that willingly giving false or fraudulent information to get ACP benefits is punishable by law and can result in fines, jail time, de-enrollment, or being barred from the program.

25. The ACP Administrator or my service provider may have to check whether I still qualify at any time. If I need to recertify my ACP benefit, I understand that I have to respond by the deadline or I will be removed from the Affordable Connectivity Program and my ACP benefit will stop.

The certification below applies to all consumers and is required to process your application.

26. I was truthful about whether or not I am a resident of Tribal lands, as defined in the "Your Information" section of this form.

27. Signature 28. Today's Date





Representative Information

Representatives who help consumers apply (such as internet company agents, state and Tribal partners, etc.) are required to register in the Representative Accountability Database (RAD) and must enter their Representative ID here.

29. What is your Representative ID?

How Does the ACP Protect Consumers?

The rules protect Affordable Connectivity Program recipients by:

- Empowering consumers to choose the service plan that best meets their needs (including a plan they may already be on);
- $\bullet \ Ensuring \ consumers \ have \ access \ to \ supported \ internet \ services \ regardless \ of \ their \ credit \ status;$
- Prohibiting companies from excluding consumers with past due balances or prior debt from enrolling in the program;
- Preventing consumers from being forced into more expensive or lower quality plans in order to receive the ACP;
- Reducing the potential for bill shock or other financial harms;
- Allowing ACP recipients to switch companies or internet service offerings; and
- Providing a dedicated FCC process for ACP complaints at https://consumercomplaints.fcc.gov.

Privacy Act Statement

This Privacy Act Statement explains how we are going to use the personal information you are entering into this form.

The Privacy Act is a law that requires the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) and the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) to explain why we are asking individuals for personal information and what we are going to do with this information after we collect it.

Authority: 47 U.S.C. §254; 47 U.S.C. §1752; 47 CFR Part 54, Subparts E and R.

Purpose: We are collecting this personal information so we can verify your identity and that you qualify for the Lifeline program or similar programs that use income or consumer participation in certain government benefit programs as eligibility criteria, such as the Affordable Connectivity Program. We access, maintain and use your personal information in the manner described in the Lifeline System of Records Notice (SORN), FCC/WCB-1, and the Affordable Connectivity Program SORN, formerly known as the Emergency Broadband Benefit Program SORN, FCC/WCB-3, both available at https://www.fcc.gov/managing-director/privacy-transparency/ privacy-act-information#systems/.

Routine Uses: We may share the personal information you enter into this form with other parties for specific purposes, such as:

- With contractors that help us operate the Lifeline program and similar programs that use income or consumer participation in certain government benefit programs as eligibility criteria, such as the Affordable Connectivity Program;
- With other federal and state government agencies and Tribal agencies that help us determine your Lifeline eligibility and eligibility for similar programs that use income or consumer participation in certain government benefit programs as eligibility criteria, such as the Affordable Connectivity Program;
- With the telecommunications companies and broadband providers that provide you Lifeline service and service under a similar program that uses income or consumer participation in certain federal benefit programs as eligibility criteria, such as the Affordable Connectivity Program;
- With other federal agencies or to other administrative or adjudicative bodies before which the FCC is authorized to appear;
- With appropriate agencies, entities, and persons when the FCC suspects or has confirmed that there has been a breach of information; and
- With law enforcement and other officials investigating potential violations of Lifeline and other program rules.

A complete listing of the ways we may use your information is published in the Lifeline SORN and the Affordable Connectivity Program SORN (formerly known as the Emergency Broadband Benefit Program SORN) described in the "Purpose" paragraph of this statement.

Disclosure: You are not required to provide the information we are requesting, but if you do not, you will not be eligible to receive Lifeline services under the Lifeline Program rules, 47 C.F.R. Part 54, Subpart E, or benefits under the Affordable Connectivity Program rules, 47 C.F.R. Part 54, Subpart R.