

**West River Cooperative Telephone Company**  
**Lifeline & Link-Up Advertising/Outreach**  
**2015-2016**

Each month, Lifeline and Link-Up applications were included in the new member packets. All year long, information and applications are made available at our front desk in our central office and on our website (<http://www.sdplains.com/lifeline-and-link-up/>). Link to Lifeline information is available on our Facebook page, under the "About" link ([www.facebook.com/WRCTC](http://www.facebook.com/WRCTC)). All newsletters are provided online at [www.wrctc.coop](http://www.wrctc.coop).

June 2015

- Provided Lifeline information and applications during Grand Electric's Annual Meeting.
- Article in newsletter about the Lifeline Program.

September 2015

- Provided information and applications at the Tailgate Parties in Newell, Faith and Buffalo.

October 2015

- Provided information and applications at the Tailgate Parties in Bison and Lemmon.
- Information and applications were made available at West River Cooperative Telephone's Annual Meeting.

January 2016

- Information and applications were made available for interested individuals at the Vale Ag Show in Vale, SD.

March 2016

- Information and applications were made available at the KBJM Farm & Home Show in Lemmon, SD.

May 2016

- News release was sent out to all local newspapers.
- Lifeline & Link-Up information and applications for Montana, South Dakota, North Dakota and Tribal Lands were sent to all surrounding clinics, health nurses, and assisted living centers if they needed them.

June 2016

- Lifeline Program information provided in the newsletter.
- Lifeline information and applications available at Grand Electric's Annual Meeting.

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

## **Lifeline: Affordable Telephone Service for Income-Eligible Consumers**

### **Background**

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### **How Do I Qualify for Lifeline Discounts?**

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- Medicaid;
- Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (Food Stamps or SNAP);
- Supplemental Security Income (SSI);
- Federal Public Housing Assistance (Section 8);
- Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP);
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- National School Lunch Program's Free Lunch Program;
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- Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR);
- Head Start (if income eligibility criteria are met); or
- State assistance programs (if applicable).

When you qualify for any of the above programs, you must complete a Lifeline Assistance Application. For more information, or to find out if you qualify for the programs, call your local telephone company, state Public Utility Commission, or the Federal Communications Commission at 1-888-CALL-FCC. You may also visit the "Lifeline Across America" Web site [[www.lifeline.gov](http://www.lifeline.gov)].

# Schalesky earns American FFA Degree



**Carrietta Schalesky receiving her American FFA Degree at the 88th Annual National FFA Convention & Expo.**

My name is Carrietta Schalesky. I am the 22 year old daughter of T.W. and Faye Schalesky. I have been an FFA member for the past 6 years. One of the major parts of being an FFA member is having a Supervised Agricultural Experience (SAE). An SAE is a type of project that involves making a profit off of a type of business whether it be livestock, crops, or landscaping. My SAE included starting a purebred Rambouillet sheep flock. I started with a ram lamb and 2 ewe lambs and after 6 years I have developed my heard into 4 rams and 11 ewes. I kept track of

all expense records, hours worked, and income that I made through the years.

Throughout all my years as an FFA member I have been working towards accomplishing one of the biggest goals that many FFA members look forward to accomplishing; The American FFA Degree. The American Degree is the highest award that any FFA member can achieve. Less than 1/2% of FFA members achieve their American Degree because of the time commitment, dedication and hard work that is required in order to achieve it. It is the final step in the FFA degree system

that encourages personal growth and achievement towards establishing ones self in the FFA organization and in an agricultural career.

In order to achieve the American FFA Degree I had to achieve the Green Hand Degree my freshman year of high school, the Chapter Degree during my sophomore year, and the State FFA Degree during my senior year of high school. The other requirements involved in the American Degree application involve completing at least 50 hours of community service with 3 different organizations, at least 3 full years of agricultural class offered in high school, and completed the full 6 years of records for the Supervised Agricultural Experience choice.

After becoming a South Dakota State FFA officer for the 2013 - 2014 year I wanted to take it one step further in my FFA experience and self-improve on my leadership skills and personal growth. On October 31, 2015 I finally accomplished my goal of achieving the American FFA Degree. I got to walk across the sage at the 88th Annual National FFA Convention and Expo to be congratulated by the National FFA president and advisor to receive my certificate and Golden Key pendant to be added to my gold degree chain that hangs from my blue corduroy FFA jacket.

I am definitely honored to receive the American FFA Degree because it is something I have been working towards my entire FFA career. All of the elements involved in achieving the American Degree have helped me become a better leader, be more knowledgeable about the agricultural way of life, and let me share my passion of agriculture with so many others. I encourage every other FFA member to work towards the American FFA Degree because has helped me become the person and leader I am today.

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Dr. David J. Prosser  
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2nd & 4th Wed. of the month

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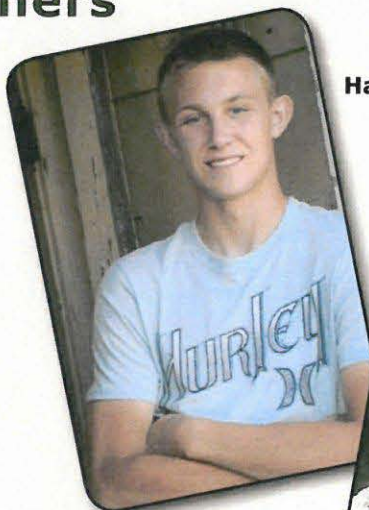
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## Scholarship Winners

West River Cooperative Telephone Company (WRCTC) and Grand Electric Cooperative teamed together for the 14th year to award \$500 scholarships to graduating seniors from area school districts. Winners have been awarded their certificates at the Academic Awards programs at their respective schools.

Graduating seniors receiving the \$500 scholarships are: Harding County School District – Harley Mollman, son of Craig Mollman and Jennifer Wickstrom, Buffalo; Lemmon School District – Katie Sackmann, daughter of Jeffrey and Carla Sackmann, Lemmon; Bison School District – Kiana Brockel, daughter of Kelvin and Jean Brockel, Shadehill; Faith School District – Teigen Grubl, son of Shane and Launa Grubl, Red Owl and Newell School District – Millie Hanson, daughter of Mike and Michelle Hanson, Nisland.

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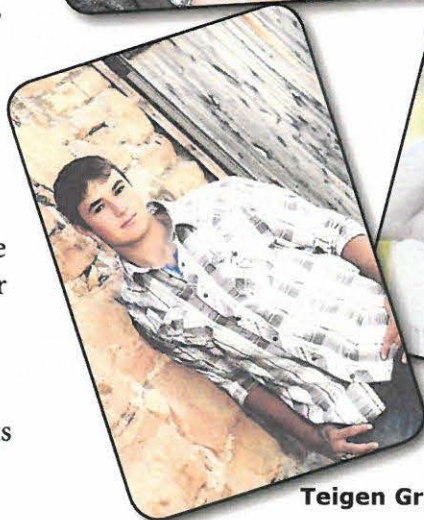
**Harley Mollman**



**Katie Sackmann**



**Kiana Brockel**



**Teigen Grubl**



**Millie Hanson**

**Office  
Closed**

West River Cooperative Telephone Company's office will be closed Friday, July 3rd for Independence Day.

Happy  
4th of  
July!

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# CPNI: What it Means to You

## What is CPNI?

Customer Proprietary Network Information (CPNI) is data 244-5569 collected by telecommunications carriers. This information includes the time, date, duration and destination number of each call as well as your long distance carrier. It can also include calling features such as VoiceMail or Call Waiting.

## What information is not CPNI?

Information such as your name, address, telephone number and non-telecommunication services including Internet or Cable Television is not considered CPNI.

## How am I protected?

Telecommunication companies must keep your information confidential. When you call in with questions about your telephone account, the FCC made it mandatory that you 866-4426 be "authenticated" prior to discussing details of your account.

## Can I add an authorized user to my account?

In order to add an authorized 375-3171 user to your account, you must contact your telephone company and request an additional user form.

## What if I have more questions?

Please contact our office at 777 or 605-244-5213.

# 2016 Directory Photo Contest This year's theme is "WILDLIFE"

**Snap a photo capturing our local wildlife and you could win \$100! Deadline to enter is August 14, 2015. Entries may be emailed to [westriver@sdplains.com](mailto:westriver@sdplains.com) or mailed to WRCTC, PO Box 39, Bison, SD 57620.**

- **1st Place – \$100**
- **2nd Place – \$50**
- **3rd Place – \$25**

**RULES:** *The photo must be an original taken by a WRCTC member. Wildlife must be alive and unharmed in the photo. Photos must be of local wildlife within WRCTC's service area and include the location where the photo was taken. Each customer may submit TWO photos. Photos may also be submitted on a computer disc or e-mailed as a jpeg or pdf file. The photos must be in full-color and will not be returned to the customer. Submission of the photo releases all right of ownership of the photo and authorizes WRCTC to publish the photo on the directory cover, or use as WRCTC desires, allowing proper acknowledgement to the photographer. The photographer who captures first place will see his/her photo on the front cover of the 2016 directory and will be awarded a \$100 cash prize; second place will receive \$50 and third place will receive \$25. Employees and Directors are not eligible.*



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### Background

Lifeline is a government benefit program that provides discounts on monthly telephone 376-3248 service for eligible low-income consumers to help ensure they have the opportunities and security that telephone service affords, including being able to connect to jobs, family, and 911 services. Lifeline is supported by the Federal Universal Service Fund (USF).

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Lifeline can also include Toll Limitation Service, which enables a telephone subscriber to limit the amount of long distance calls that 257-2718 can be made from a telephone.

Link Up provides eligible low-income consumers living on Tribal lands with a one-time discount of up to \$100 on the initial installation or activation of a wireline or wireless telephone for the primary residence. Tribal Lands Link Up also allows consumers to pay the remaining amount that they owe on a deferred schedule, interest-free. Federal 972-4573 rules prohibit eligible low-income consumers from receiving more than ONE Link Up discount at a primary residence. Eligible consumers may be eligible for Link Up again only after moving to a new primary residence. Link Up support is only offered to carriers who are building out infrastructure on Tribal lands so not all carriers

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## Susie Skjoldal Resigns



Customer Service/Marketing Supervisor, Susie Skjoldal, resigned from her position at WRCTC, effective April 22. Susie began her career at Grand on June 17, 1996 as a Secretary which then changed to the title of Customer Service Representative in 2004. She celebrated 15 years in June of 2011 and a few months later in November, was promoted to Customer Service Supervisor, overseeing the Customer Service Representatives.

Susie's kindness and compassion 456-1984 for others and her bubbly personality will be greatly missed at the Cooperative. She was a dedicated employee who balanced her life on their ranch north of Bison with her second home here at the office for nearly 19 years. We wish her nothing but the best in her future endeavors.

## New WRCTC Members

### Bison, Meadow, Sorum

Stateline Construction, LLC 866-4460  
Zoller, Laurie 244-5256

### Buffalo

Bowen, Oliver 375-3865  
Bruce, David & Cathy 375-3868  
Madsen, Trent 375-3180  
Marron, Julia 375-3160  
Hanson, Cheyenne 797-4654  
Schell, Tim (Tenant) 972-4591

### Lemmon

Dauwen, Stefanie 374-4294  
Dietz, Meagan 376-4298  
Hammer, Joanne 374-4367  
Holdsclaw, Leanna 376-4427  
Modern Expressions Fabric 374-4431

### Newell

Dunn, Lynn 456-2273  
Fehr, Jessica 456-3659  
Steffe, Dirl & Vicki 456-3729  
Yost, Delwin & Susan 456-3365

### Nisland

Kessel, Quinn 257-2892  
Shaykett, Brodie 257-2894  
Tope, Milton 257-2893

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**WildBlue Help Desk 888-212-5370**

## Find Your Phone Number

Ten telephone numbers were hidden in last month's newsletter. Those members who hunted and found their number were: Larry Strickland, Belle Fourche; Dale Pies, Vale; Jerry Nelson, Buffalo; Wade Hofer, Meadow; Lola Hedstrom, Bison and Kevin Deschamps, Newell. Hidden in this issue are ten new numbers. If you find YOUR number, all you have to do is notify our office. The \$10 will then be deducted off your telephone bill. New connect numbers do not count. **Deadline is June 22, 2015.**

## Lifeline (continued)

may discount their activation fee. Enhanced benefits are provided to low-income consumers who live on a federally recognized Indian Tribe's reservation.

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- Medicaid 374-5314
- Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (Food Stamps or SNAP)
- Supplemental Security Income (SSI)
- Federal Public Housing Assistance (Section 8)
- Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP)
- Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF)
- National School Lunch Program's Free Lunch Program
- Bureau of Indian Affairs General Assistance
- Tribally-Administered Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TTANF)
- Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR)
- Head Start (Tribal lands only if eligible)
- State assistance programs (if applicable)

When you qualify for any of the above programs, you must complete a Lifeline Assistance Application. For more information, please contact our office at 605-244-5213 or 777.



**Call  
Before  
You Dig**

**Don't assume you know what's below.  
Protect yourself and those around you.  
Call 811 every time.**



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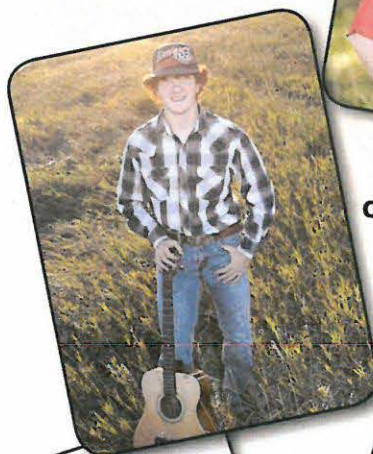
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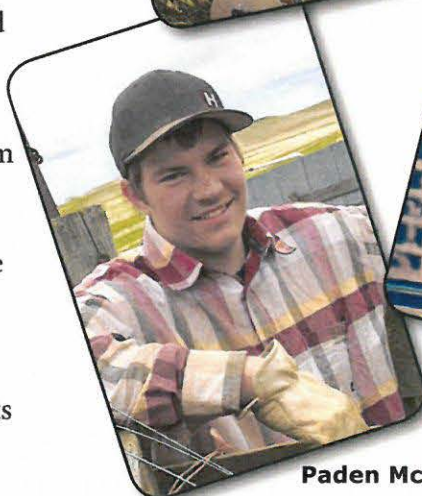
**Alexandra Hansen**



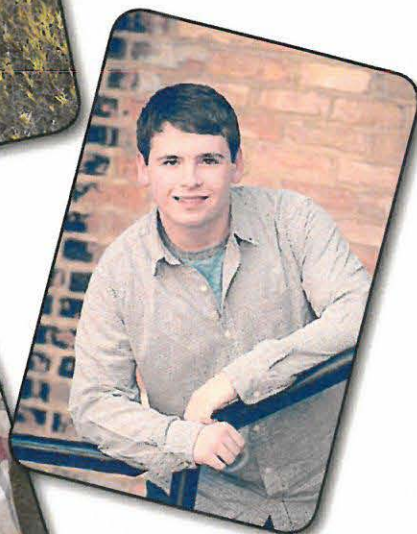
**Tori Voller**



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**Paden McFarland**



**Nicholas Nelson**

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## Is your TV getting enough Fiber?

With West River's FiberVision Digital Video, you and your TV are sure to get your daily dose of fiber! FiberVision is delivered over the fiber optic lines that carry your Internet and phone services - and now, VIDEO! Don't ever miss a TV show again because of bad weather. We've got you covered.

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**605-244-5236 or 888-411-5651**

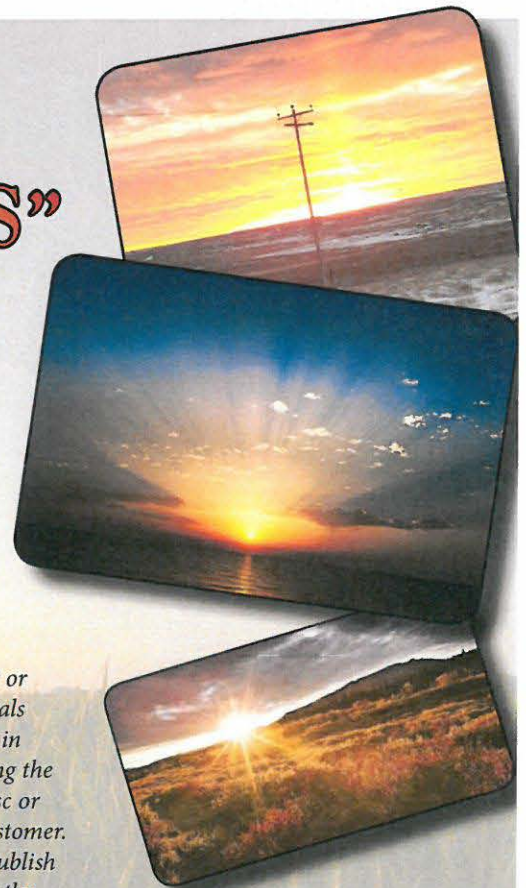
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# “SUNSETS & SUNRISES”

Snap a photo capturing one of our beautiful sunsets or sunrises, and you could win \$100! Deadline to enter is August 17, 2016. Entries may be emailed to [westriver@sdplains.com](mailto:westriver@sdplains.com) or mailed to WRCTC, PO Box 39, Bison, SD 57620.

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## Local Service Rate and ARC to Increase

In November 2011, the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) made a ruling that over the next few years they were going to move more of the network cost to those who own the 456-1027 network. To do this, they have set benchmarks for local service rates and have implemented an Access Recovery Charge (ARC) that we are required to charge our members if we want to retain our USF funding. **On July 1, 2016, the local telephone service rate will increase by \$2.00 per month. This increase will affect ActPak bundling prices as well.**

The Access Recovery Charge enables WRCTC to recover a limited portion of revenues lost due to FCC mandated reductions in intercarrier payments. **Effective July 1, 2016, residential members will see their ARC increase by \$0.50 per month.** Multi-line business customers will not see an increase. Therefore, the ARC for residential members and single-line businesses will increase from \$2.00 per month to \$2.50 per month, and the ARC for multi-line businesses will stay at \$3.00 per month. This will be 797-4489 the fifth step of the six step increase. The last increase in this process will be in July 2017.

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## New WRCTC Members

### Bison, Meadow, Sorum

Anderson, Anna Marie	866-4728
Anderson Tenant	788-2250
Enright, Travis & Brooke	788-2997
Hendrickson, Layton	244-5116
Lorius, Shiloh	788-2447

### Buffalo

Lanning, Don	375-3391
Sabo, Waylon	375-3676
Wilson, Derick & Tanya	375-3749

### Lemmon

Lien, Terry & Corie	374-4491
O'Donnell, Stacy	374-4487
Richardson, John K.	376-4494
Scoops Ice Cream Shop	374-4365
Spangler, Melissa	374-1064

### Nisland

Crago, Kim	257-2831
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## SECURE PAY

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- Bureau of Indian Affairs General Assistance
- Tribally-Administered Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TTANF)
- Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR)
- Head Start (if income eligibility criteria are met)
- State assistance programs (if applicable)

When you qualify for any of the above programs, you must complete a Lifeline Assistance Application. For more information, please contact our office at 605-244-5213 or 777.



## Not Using Your SDPlains Email?

If you are an sdplains Internet customer and you are using something other than sdplains for email such as Yahoo! Mail or Hotmail, please contact our office with a 374-3397 current email address where we can send you important notifications as well as our e-newsletter. **This will not affect your WRCTC Internet connection.**

Please email us at [westriver@sdplains.com](mailto:westriver@sdplains.com) or give us a call at 605-244-5213 or 777 so we can update our records.

# Lifeline Assistance Application and Certification Form

(Please Print or Type)

Company Name: West River Cooperative Telephone Company

SPIN: 143002255

Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_ First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Middle Initial: \_\_\_\_\_

Residential Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

(Do not use a P.O. Box address.)

Is your residential address a permanent address? Yes  No

Billing Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

(If different from residential address.)

Social Security Number (last four digits): \_\_\_\_\_ (If you are a member of a Tribal nation and do not have a social security number, you may provide your Tribal identification number.)

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ (if existing service)

Telephone number where you can be reached or receive messages: \_\_\_\_\_

Are you currently receiving Lifeline assistance through any other telephone provider? Yes  No

I am applying for:  Lifeline (monthly telephone service discount)

I, one or more of my dependents, or my household currently participates in one or more of the following programs:  
(Check all that apply.) **MUST INCLUDE A COPY OF AT LEAST ONE DOCUMENT.**

- Medicaid (e.g. Title XIX/Medical State Supplemental Assistance)
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- Supplemental Security Income (SSI)
- Federal Public Housing Assistance (Section 8)
- Low-Income Energy Home Assistance Program (LIHEAP)
- Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF)
- National School Lunch Program's Free Lunch Program
- OR** My household income is at or below 135% of the Federal Poverty Guidelines. The number of individuals in my household is: \_\_\_\_\_.

Name of eligible person if different than the applicant \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship to applicant \_\_\_\_\_

If you do not participate in one or more of the programs listed above, you may qualify for Lifeline if your household income does not exceed 135% of the Federal Poverty Guidelines (see table below).

## 2015 Health and Human Services Poverty Guidelines

Number in Residence	135% Guideline (Annual)	Number in Residence	135% Guideline (Annual)
1	\$15,889	5	\$38,353
2	\$21,505	6	\$43,969
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4	\$32,737	8	\$55,201

For each additional person after 8, add \$5,616 to the annual guideline.

Source: Federal Register, Vol. 80 No. 14, January 22, 2015, pp. 3236-3237

## Important Information

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### I certify, under penalty of perjury, that (initial each statement):

\_\_\_\_ (1) I meet the income-based or program-based eligibility criteria for receiving Lifeline, provided in 47 C.F.R. § 54.409. I have provided documentation of eligibility;

\_\_\_\_ (2) I understand that I must notify the carrier within 30 days if, for any reason, I no longer satisfy the criteria for receiving Lifeline including, as relevant, if I no longer meet the income-based or program-based criteria for receiving Lifeline support, I am receiving more than one Lifeline benefit, or another member of my household is receiving a Lifeline benefit and that I may be penalized for failing to do so;

\_\_\_\_ (3) If I move to a new address, I will provide that new address to the telephone company within 30 days;

\_\_\_\_ (4) My household will receive only one Lifeline service and, to the best of my knowledge, my household is not already receiving a Lifeline service;

\_\_\_\_ (5) I acknowledge that I may be required to re-certify my continued eligibility for Lifeline at any time, and my failure to re-certify as to my continued eligibility will result in de-enrollment and the termination of my Lifeline benefits pursuant to 47 C.F.R. § 54.405(e)(4);

\_\_\_\_ (6) I give West River Telephone Company permission to give my name, telephone number, and address to the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) or its agent to confirm that my household only receives one Lifeline benefit. If USAC finds that my household receives more than one Lifeline benefit, USAC will notify the telephone companies, and I will have to select one service and I will be de-enrolled from the other.

I, the Lifeline applicant/subscriber, acknowledge that WRCTC will transmit to the federal administrator of the National Lifeline Accountability Database the above-referenced information about the Lifeline account and/or service for inclusion into the Database to detect and prevent fraudulent or duplicative receipt of benefits from the Lifeline program, and hereby consent to transmission of the information for purposes allowed by law relating to administration of the Lifeline program.

By signing below, I attest that the information contained in this application and certification form is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and that providing false or fraudulent information to receive Lifeline benefits is punishable by law.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

*Provide the completed Lifeline Assistance Application and Certification Form and proof of eligibility to West River Cooperative Telephone Company, PO Box 39, Bison, SD 57620.*

**Tribal Lifeline & Link Up Assistance Application and Certification Form**

(Please Print or Type)

Company Name: **West River Cooperative Telephone Company**

SPIN: **143002255**

Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_ First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Middle Initial: \_\_\_\_\_  
Residential Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

(Do not use a P.O. Box address.)

Is your residential address a permanent address? Yes  No

Billing Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

(If different from residential address.)

Social Security Number (last four digits): \_\_\_\_\_ If you are a member of a Tribal nation and do not have a social security number, you may provide your Tribal identification number: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ (if existing service)

Telephone number where you can be reached or receive messages: \_\_\_\_\_

Are you currently receiving Lifeline assistance through any other telephone provider? Yes  No

I am applying for:

- Tribal Lifeline (monthly telephone service discount)
- Tribal Link Up (telephone connection charge discount)

*“Tribal lands” are defined as any federally-recognized Indian tribe’s reservation, pueblo or colony; Indian Allotments; and areas that fall outside the boundaries of existing Tribal lands but have been designated by the Federal Communications Commission as Tribal lands for the purpose of receiving Tribal Lifeline and Tribal Link Up support.*

I am applying as an individual living on “tribal lands”: Yes  No

I, one or more of my dependents, or my household currently participates in one or more of the following programs:  
(Check all that apply.) **Must include a copy of at least one document.**

- Medicaid (e.g. Title XIX/Medical State Supplemental Assistance)
- Supplemental Security Income (SSI)
- Federal Public Housing Assistance (Section 8)
- Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP, formerly known as Food Stamps)
- Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP)
- Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF) or Tribal TANF
- National School Lunch Program’s Free Lunch Program
- Bureau of Indian Affairs General Assistance
- Head Start (if income eligibility criteria are met)
- Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations
- OR** My household income is at or below 135% of the Federal Poverty Guidelines. The number of individuals in my household is: \_\_\_\_\_.

Name of eligible person if different than the applicant \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to applicant \_\_\_\_\_

If you do not participate in one or more of the programs listed above, you may qualify for Tribal Lifeline and Tribal Link Up if your household income does not exceed 135% of the Federal Poverty Guidelines (see table below).

**2015 Health and Human Services Poverty Guidelines**

Number in Residence	135% Guideline (Annual)	Number in Residence	135% Guideline (Annual)
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**I certify, under penalty of perjury, that (initial each statement):**

\_\_\_\_ (1) I meet the income-based or program-based eligibility criteria for receiving Lifeline, provided in 47 C.F.R. § 54.409. I have provided documentation of eligibility if required to do so;

\_\_\_\_ (2) I understand that I must notify the carrier within 30 days if, for any reason, I no longer satisfy the criteria for receiving Lifeline including, as relevant, if I no longer meet the income-based or program-based criteria for receiving Lifeline support, I am receiving more than one Lifeline benefit, or another member of my household is receiving a Lifeline benefit and that I may be penalized for failing to do so;

\_\_\_\_ (3) If I am seeking to qualify for Lifeline as an eligible resident of Tribal lands, I live on Tribal lands, as defined in 47 C.F.R. § 54.400(e);

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By signing below, I attest that the information contained in this application and certification form is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and that providing false or fraudulent information to receive Lifeline benefits is punishable by law.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

Provide the completed Lifeline and Tribal Link Up Application and Certification Form and proof of eligibility to West River Cooperative Telephone Company, PO Box 39, Bison, SD 57620.



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(Please Print or Type)

Company Name: **West River Cooperative Telephone Company**

SPIN: **143002255**

Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_ First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Middle Initial: \_\_\_\_\_

Residential Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Do not use a P.O. Box address.)

Is your residential address a permanent address? Yes  No

Billing Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Social Security Number (last four digits): \_\_\_\_\_ (If you are a member of a Tribal nation and do not have a social security number, you may provide your Tribal identification number.)

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I am applying for:  Lifeline (monthly telephone service discount)

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- OR** My household income is at or below 135% of the Federal Poverty Guidelines. The number of individuals in my household is: \_\_\_\_\_.

Name of eligible person if different than the applicant \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship to applicant \_\_\_\_\_

If you do not participate in one or more of the programs listed above, you may qualify for Lifeline if your household income does not exceed 135% of the Federal Poverty Guidelines (see table below).

## 2016 Health and Human Services Poverty Guidelines

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For each additional person after 8, add \$5,616 to the annual guideline.

Source: Federal Register, Vol. 81 No. 15, January 25, 2016, pp. 4036-4037

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Signature

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Date

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## Tribal Lifeline & Link Up Assistance Application and Certification Form

(Please Print or Type)

Company Name: **West River Cooperative Telephone Company**

SPIN: **143002255**

Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_ First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Middle Initial: \_\_\_\_\_  
Residential Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

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Billing Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

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Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ *(if existing service)*

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I am applying for:

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I am applying as an individual living on "tribal lands": Yes  No

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Relationship to applicant \_\_\_\_\_

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