

**SOUTH DAKOTA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
LIFELINE/LIN UP ADVERTISING/OUTREACH
ANNUAL REPORT
JUNE 1, 2009**

Company: Ft. Randall Telephone Company

Address: 722 West Highway 46, Wagner, SD 57380

Telephone number: 605-384-3993

Company contact: Bruce Hanson

Study Area Code: 391660

Lifeline/Link Up Advertising/Outreach Activities

- Advertise in media of general distribution.*
- Letter to existing and new customers regarding the availability of Lifeline/Link Up.*
- Company's Lifeline/Link Up information in directory.
- Company's Lifeline/Link Up information available on Company website.
- Company's information posted on USAC website.
- Other (describe): _____

* Required

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Flat and Franklin, Keystone, South Dakota 57751

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As a Mt Rushmore Telephone customer, you may qualify for one of three programs that provide assistance to you in paying your telephone bill. This federally funded program will provide a credit each month on your phone bill. Some limitations apply; please contact our office (605) 666-4411



Mt. Rushmore Telephone Company
 First and Franklin, Keystone, South Dakota 57751

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- Supplemental Security Income (SSI)
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- National School Free Lunch Program
- Individuals that do not qualify under the above criteria but live on a federally recognized reservation may qualify if the applicant receives benefits from one of the following programs: Bureau of Indian Affairs General Assistance;
- Tribally administered Temporary Assistance for Needy Families; Head Start (only those meeting its income qualifying standard); or the National School Lunch Program's free lunch program. Tribal Lifeline credit value goes down to \$1.00 a month.

If you are not of the above programs, but your income is at or below 135% of the Federal Poverty Guidelines, you may also apply for and receive the discount. You will need to attach proof of your income to your application.

Link -Up:

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Eligibility requirements are the same as for Lifeline list above.

Telephone Equipment Distribution (TED) Provides equipment for those who have hearing loss, speech, and/or mobility impairments that limit their use of a standard telephone.

To be eligible, you must:

- Have phone service or applied for phone service; and
- Meet income guidelines.
- Contact the Department of Human Services for more information or an application

Persons in Family Unit	48 Contiguous State and D.C.
1	\$13,784
2	\$18,482
3	\$23,180
4	\$27,878
5	\$32,576
6	\$37,274
7	\$41,972
8	\$46,670
For Each Additional Person add	\$4,698

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