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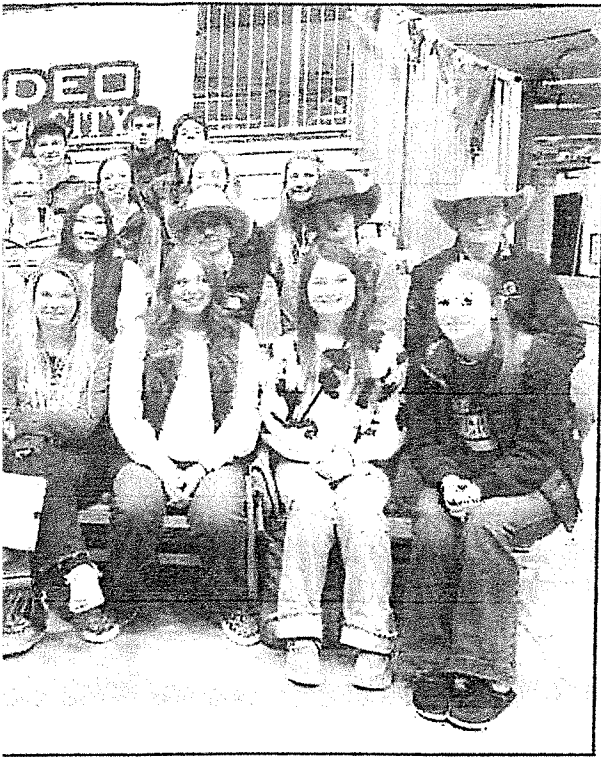
Docket Number: TC24-028
Subject Matter: First Data Request
Request to: City of Faith Municipal Telephone
Request from: South Dakota Public Utilities Commission Staff
Date of Request: July 11, 2024
Responses Due: July 25, 2024

- 1-1. Confirm the Company sets aside any high-cost support received but not spent in that calendar year in an account dedicated specifically for upgrades necessary to meet the relevant high-cost requirements in accordance with paragraph 186 of the May 25, 2016, FCC Report and Order and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking in FCC 16-64 In the Matter of Connect America Fund ETC Annual Reports and Certifications Rural Broadband Experiments.

RESPONSE 1-1: [REDACTED]

- 1-2. Refer to the Lifeline/Link Up Advertising/Outreach Annual Report.
 - a. Provide a copy of the advertisement made in media of general distribution in 2023.
 - b. Provide a copy of the letter sent to existing and new customers within first 30 days of service.

RESPONSE 1-2(a) and (b): The items requested are attached.

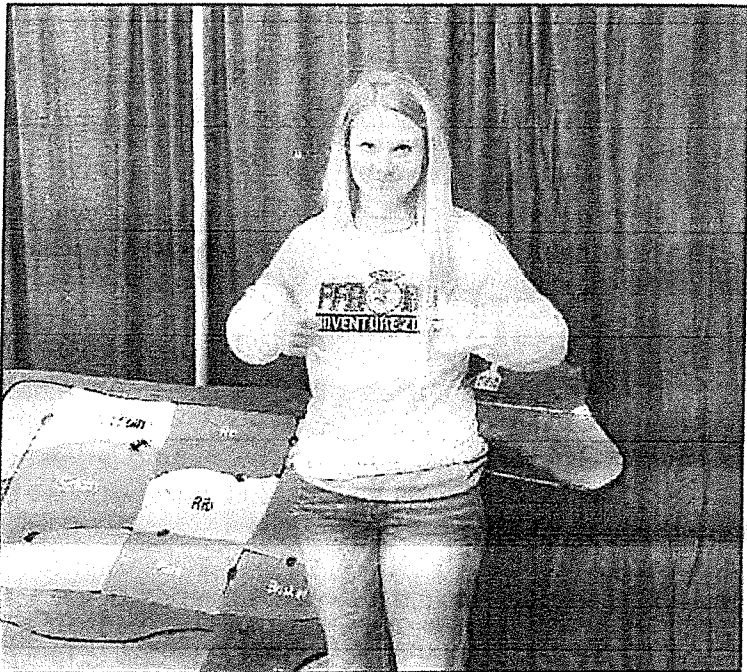


Faith FFA ... members helping in the Ag Adventure Zone.
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Sha Price after listening to her speak regarding career development and Rodeo in Rapid City, SD.

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TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES

FAITH MUNICIPAL TELEPHONE COMPANY provides basic and enhanced telecommunications services within its service area. Basic services are offered at the following rates:

Single Party Residence Service – \$18.00/month

Single Party Business Service – \$29.00/month

Services can also be bundled with broadband internet access service (BIAS). Contact Faith Municipal Telephone Company for more information.

Local residence and business service includes:

Voice grade access to the public telephone network -Minutes of use for local service provided at no additional charge -Access to 911 emergency services -Toll limitation for qualifying low-income consumers.

Lifeline is a non-transferable government assistance program available for qualifying subscribers on a monthly basis for voice or bundled voice and broadband service. One discount is available per household. Toll blocking at no charge and reduced deposits are also available with the Lifeline Program.

To qualify for Lifeline, subscribers must be approved by the Lifeline National Verifier. There are several ways to qualify such as having a household income that is at or below 135 percent of the Federal Poverty Guidelines, or the subscriber, one or more of the subscriber's dependents, or the subscriber's household receiving benefits from one of the following assistance programs:

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- Federal Public Housing Assistance (FPHA)
- Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP)
- Veteran's Pension and Survivor Benefit
- Supplemental Security Income (SSI)

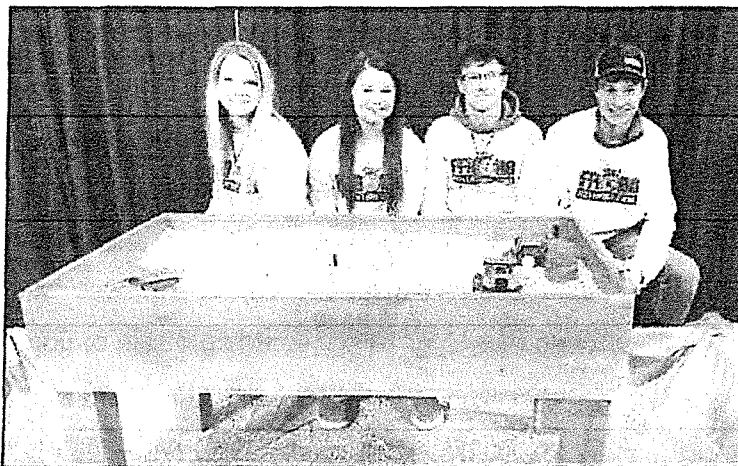
A subscriber who lives on Tribal lands and is an eligible resident of Tribal lands is eligible for Tribal Lifeline service if the subscriber, one or more of the subscriber's dependents, or the subscriber's household participates in any of the above-listed qualifying assistance programs or one of the following Tribal-specific federal assistance programs: Bureau of Indian Affairs General Assistance; Tribally Administered Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF); Head Start (if income eligibility criteria are met); or the Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR). Tribal subscribers may also qualify if the household income is at or below 135% of the Federal Poverty Guidelines.

The basic services described above are offered to all consumers in Faith Municipal Telephone Company's service area. If you have any questions regarding telecommunications services, please call Faith Municipal Telephone Company's office at (605) 967-2261. To qualify for Lifeline, please go to: www.checklifeline.org

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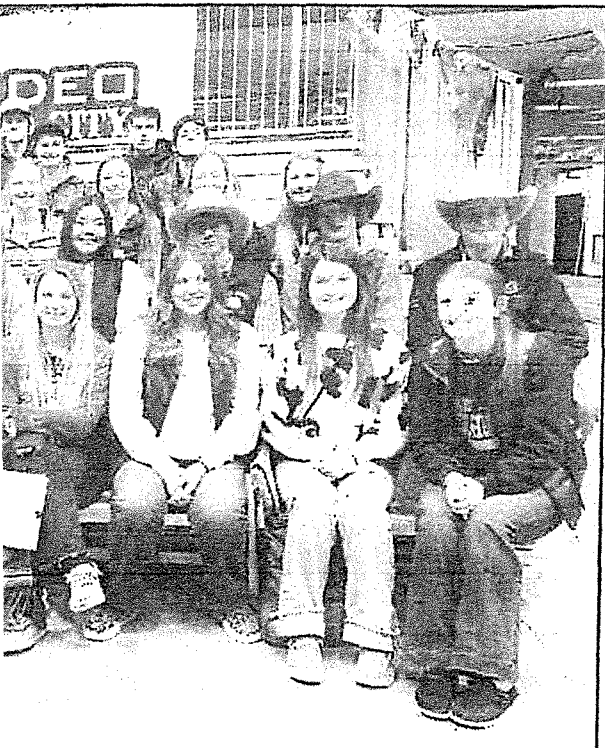
The Faith FFA students also talked to Trisha Price about their career development and how it relates to agriculture. A couple of students went to the livestock evaluation class.

On BHSS Youth Day, the Faith livestock judging class competed with 41 teams, finishing 7th overall. During this time other Faith FFA members worked at the Ag Adventure Zone to promote FFA and Agriculture.



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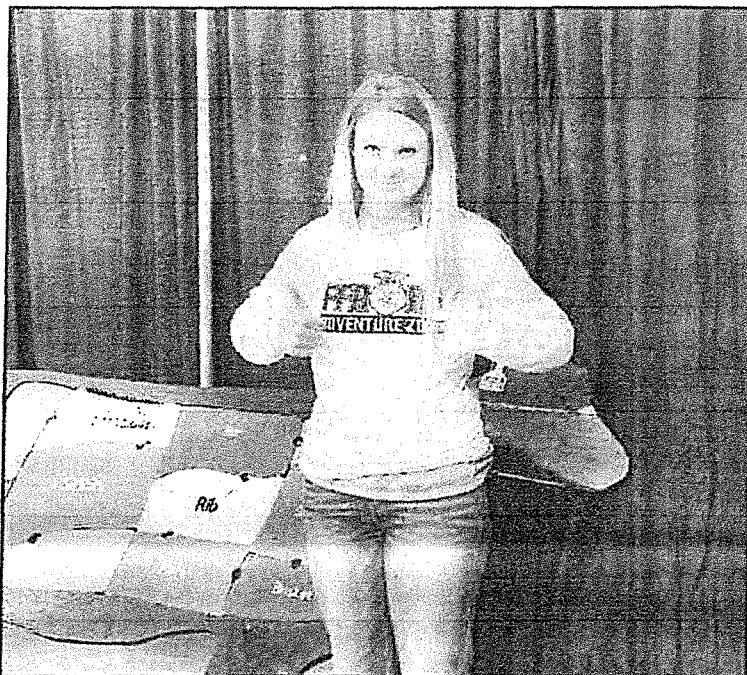
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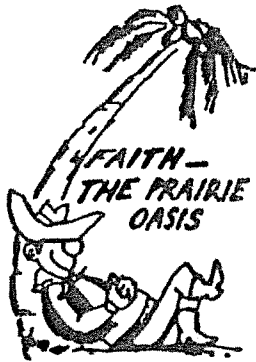
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CITY OF FAITH

P.O. Box 368

Faith, South Dakota 57626-0368

Phone: (605) 967-2261

Dear Customer:

City of Faith Municipal Telephone Company participates in the Lifeline assistance program. Lifeline assistance is available if the subscriber, one or more of the subscriber's dependents or the subscribers' household receives benefits from one of the following qualifying federal assistance programs:

- Medicaid
- Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) (Food Stamps)
- Supplemental Security Income (SSI)
- Federal Public Housing Assistance (FPHA)
- Veterans Pension or Survivors Benefit Programs

Or

- Individuals whose household income is at or below 135 percent of the Federal Poverty Guidelines are also eligible for Lifeline assistance.

If you are eligible for Lifeline assistance under any of the programs, listed above, please visit

https://www.lifelinesupport.org/wp-content/uploads/documents/get-lifeline/LI_Application_NVstates.pdf and complete the application form and return to USAC, Lifeline Support Center, PO Box 9100, Wilkes-Barre, PA 18773 or complete the application form online at <https://www.lifelinesupport.org/>

If the Lifeline Program Administrator is not able to validate that you or someone in your household qualify using the form or on-line application, you may need to provide an official document from one of the qualifying government programs or documentation that proves your annual income. You can submit copies of your official documents with the application or wait until the Lifeline Program Administrator asks you for them. To add them now, include the documents in option 1 or option 2. 1. If you qualify through a government program, provide a copy of the document such as an approval letter or benefit letter with the name of the person in the household who qualifies, name of the program, and issue date within the past 12 months or future expiration date. 2. If you qualify through your income, provide a copy of the prior year's state, federal or Tribal tax return or a current income statement from an employer or paycheck stub for 3 consecutive months (or other accepted documents). Visit www.lifelinesupport.org to see all acceptable document guidelines.

If you require assistance completing the form, please stop by our office at 206 Main St. S., Faith or contact our business office at (605) 967-2261.

To continue receiving the Lifeline discount, you may be required to recertify and will be contacted directly by USAC. Recertification is the one-time process to confirm all existing Lifeline subscribers meet the National Verifier's eligibility standards. Subscribers will be recertified one year after the date that they are successfully verified. This benefit can only be received on either landline telephone service, broadband service or wireless service. Each customer can only receive one Lifeline benefit.

Sincerely,

City of Faith Municipal Telephone Company