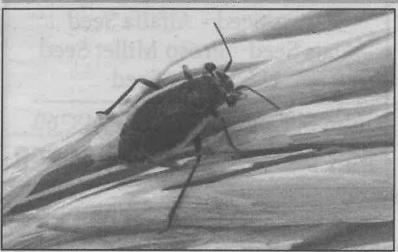
SOUTH DAKOTA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION LIFELINE/TRIBAL LINK UP ADVERTISING/OUTREACH ANNUAL REPORT JULY 1, 2024

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	Advertise in media of general distribution.* (See attached advertisement(s).)
	Letter to existing and new customers regarding the availability of Lifeline/Tribal Link Up within 1 st 30 days of service.* (See attached letter.)
	Company's Lifeline/Tribal Link Up information in directory.
	Company's Lifeline/Tribal Link Up information available on Company website.
	Company's information posted on USAC website.
	Other (describe):

SDSU Extension News

Patrick Wagner, Entomology Field Specialist



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Keep an eye on black grass bugs if drought persists

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this feeding damage. However, drought stress reduces the plants' ability to recover and can make the impact from black grass bugs more severe. Monitoring and potential management of this pest may be of increased importance this spring since abnormally dry to moderate drought conditions exist in much of the South Dakota.

Black grass bugs are small bugs that are either uniformly black or black with tan margins along their sides. They are approximately ¼ of an inch long and have large eyes that protrude from the sides of their head. Black grass bugs only have one generation per year. They overwinter as eggs and hatch out as soon as grass begins to green up in the spring. Upon hatching, nymphs feed on tender new grass and mature over the next 4 to 5 weeks. As adults, they live for several more weeks to mate and lay eggs for the following year.

Feeding damage appears as light-colored spots on the leaves, called stippling. Black grass bugs primarily feed on grasses but can eat broadleaf plants as well. They prefer wheatgrasses including crested and intermediate. Road ditches or pastures composed of wheatgrass monocultures are most susceptible to infestation. Severe infestations may lead to black grass bugs migrating into nearby wheat fields, although injury is often limited to the field edges.

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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 Single Party Business Service

\$18.00/month \$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:

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

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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: https://www.lifelinesupport.org/

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BILLING NAME & ADDRESS DISCLOSURE

When you place a calling card call, or accept a collect call or third-number billed call, your telephone company is required to provide your billing name and address to the telecommunications service provider that handled the call, if that provider requests. Your telephone company will continue to provide billing name and address information to telecommunications service providers for other account matters, such as customer service, servicing your account, to prevent fraud or when you move from one location to another.

LOW INCOME ASSISTANCE AVAILABLE

Faith Municipal Telephone Company is authorized to provide the Lifeline federal telephone assistance program to make telecommunication services (voice or broadband) available for qualifying subscribers. Eligible subscribers will receive a Lifeline credit up to \$9.25 (dependent on service selected).

WHO IS ELIGIBLE?

If your income is less than 135% of the Federal Poverty Level or if you or a member of your family receives benefits from one of the qualifying programs you may qualify. Qualifying programs are: Medicaid, Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), and Supplemental Security Income (SSI), Federal Public Housing Assistance (FPHA) award letter, Veterans Pension or Survivors Benefit Programs.

HOW DO I APPLY?

All applications must be approved by the National Verifier. To apply go to www.checklifeline.org or complete a paper application found at www.lifelinesupport.org and gather copies of your eligibility information to mail to Lifeline Support Center PO Box 7081 London, KY 40742 or contact Faith Municipal Telephone Company.

WHAT INFORMATION WILL BE NEEDED?

The National Verifier will attempt to verify information electronically, if unable to do so the National Verifier could request copies of your tax return or a copy of an official document from one of the qualifying programs identified above. Visit www.lifelinesupport.org to see the full list of accepted documents.

OTHER INFORMATION TO KNOW:

For broadband services to qualify, the service level must be 25 Mbps download and 3 Mbps upload or the best available to you. The Lifeline discount is available for one telephone or service per household, which is defined as any individual or group of individuals who live together at the same address and share income and expenses. Lifeline service is not transferable, and only eligible consumers may enroll in the program. If you move or become ineligible it is your responsibility to notify your service provider within 30 days. Consumers who willfully make false statements to obtain Lifeline service can be punished by fine or imprisonment and can be barred from the program.

PAY-PER-CALL BILLING RIGHTS

Some companies offer a variety of informational services using phone numbers beginning with 900. There is usually a charge for calls to these numbers. The price and content of these services are established by the companies providing the information.

For 900 billing disputes or inquiries, please call your local telephone company. You have 60 days from the date of the bill to dispute a 900 billing error review. You have the right to withhold payment of the disputed 900 charges during the billing error review. No collection activity for disputed 900 charges will occur while the charges are under investigation. After investigation, if it is determined that the disputed 900 charges are legitimate, the long distance company, or the information provider, may proceed with outside collections against your account for nonpayment of these charges. Your local and long distance service cannot be disconnected for nonpayment of 900 charges. Failure to pay legitimate 900 charges may result in involuntary blocking of access to 900 services. Voluntary blocking of access to 900 services is available upon request from your local telephone company.



LIFELINE ASSISTANCE?

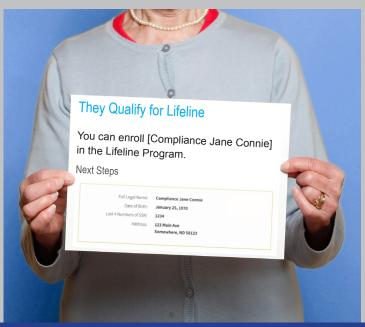
You can apply online by going to lifelinesupport.org and setting up an account. Once you have filled out the information, you will find out if you qualify for Lifeline assistance. In order for you to utilize Lifeline, you must be enrolled in a qualifying program*.

You will need the following information to apply online:

- Full legal name
- Date of birth
- Last 4 digits of your SSN or Tribal ID
- Address

Once you apply online and your eligibility is confirmed, be sure to take a picture or print this screen and bring it to the office so we can help you sign up for lifeline service.

If you receive an error message, you can contact the National Lifeline program at 1-800-234-9473 for additional help.



*Qualifying Programs include: Supplemental nutrition assistance program (SNAP), Medicaid, Supplemental Security Income (SSI), Federal Public Housing Assistance (FPHA), Veterans Pension or Survivors Pension, Income based eligibility and Tribal eligibility programs.

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Companies Near Me

This tool can help you find companies in your area that offer Lifeline and the Affordable Connectivity Program (ACP) service. These programs can reduce the cost of phone or internet service by providing a monthly discount.

ACP service providers may have their own application process, so consumers should contact their preferred service provider for more information. Consumers may also be eligible for a one-time discount on a laptop, desktop computer, or tablet through ACP. Ask your service provider if they offer devices or use this tool to see a list of providers who offer discounted devices.

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Search	Clear Results

Companies near Faith, SD

The order of these companies are random and may be different the next time you search. An asterisk (*) after the company name means that this company offers both ACP and Lifeline.

Showing 4 of 4 companies

		Download List: CSV
Company Name	Phone	Type of Service
West River Telecom*	800-748-7220	Home Service
C.R.S.T. Telephone Authority*	605-964-2600	Home Service
Golden West Telecommunications*	855-888-7777	Home Service
City of Faith Municipal Telephone Company*	605-967-2261	Home Service
If you want to see more companies, see	the list of companies in SD.	

More About the Data

- Search results are based on program enrollment and information provided by the companies.
- Information on the availability of devices and plans free with the ACP benefit are self-reported by providers and subject to change.
- The search results may include a company listed in your area that may not provide service to your address.
- Also, the search results might not show every company that is near you. A company may still offer Lifeline and/or ACP service even if it is not on the list. Please contact the company to confirm if they offer Lifeline or the ACP service for your address.

Tell Us What You Think

We will continue to update this tool, so please check back often. If you have any comments or see something wrong - or if you are a company that needs to add or update your Lifeline or ACP information, email us at LifelineProgram@usac.org or ACProgram@usac.org.

Website Feedback | Privacy Policies





About Lifeline

Lifeline is a Federal Communications Commission (FCC) program that provides a monthly phone or internet service discount for qualifying low-income consumers.

Rules

If you qualify, your household can receive a monthly Lifeline benefit of up to \$9.25 to lower the costs of phone or internet service and up to \$34.25 for qualifying households on Tribal lands.

- If you get Lifeline for phone service, you can get the benefit for one mobile phone or one home phone, but not both.
- If you get Lifeline for internet service, you can get the benefit for your mobile phone or your home connection, but not both.
- If you get Lifeline for bundled phone and internet service, you can get the benefit for your mobile phone bundled service or your home bundled service, but not both.

Your household cannot get Lifeline from more than one phone or internet company. You are only allowed to get one Lifeline benefit per household, **not per person.**

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 Lifeline 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 Lifeline, you are breaking the FCC's rules and will lose your benefit.

Do not give your benefit to another person

Lifeline is non-transferable. You cannot give your Lifeline benefit to another person, even if they qualify.

Be honest on this form

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

You may need to show other documents

If the Lifeline Program 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 a Lifeline benefit, fill out the required sections of this form, initial every agreement statement, and sign on page 6. You can also apply online at **LifelineSupport.org** for fastest processing.

Mail the form to this address: USAC Lifeline Support Center P.O. Box 9100 Wilkes-Barre, PA 18773





2a. Your Information

All fields are required unless indicated. Use only CAPITALIZED LETTERS and black ink to fill out this form.

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*If I selected the phone or text option, I consent to let USAC contact me at my Lifeline phone number for important reminders and updates to my Lifeline service.

If I selected the text message option, message and data rates may apply.

Text STOP to end messages.





2b. Your Information (continued)

*Tribal lands include any federally recognized Indian tribe's reservation, pueblo, or colony, including former reservations in Oklahoma; Alaska Native regions established pursuant to the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act (85 Stat. 688); Indian allotments; Hawaiian Home Lands—areas held in trust for Native Hawaiians by the state of Hawaii, pursuant to the Hawaiian Homes Commission Act, 1920 July 9, 1921, 42 Stat. 108, et. seq., as amended; and any land designated as such by the FCC for purposes of this subpart pursuant to the designation process in the FCC's Lifeline rules.

A map of qualifying Tribal lands is available on USAC's website: https://www.lifelinesupport.org/ wp-content/uploads/documents/ get-lifeline/fcc_tribal_lands_map.pdf

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2c. Your Information (continued)

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Qualify for Lifeline

Fill out this section to show that you, your dependent, or someone in your household qualifies for Lifeline.

You can qualify through certain government assistance programs or through your income (you do not need to qualify through both).

When you mail this form, please include documents that show you participate in one of the programs you selected or that you qualify through your income. A list of acceptable documents is available at LifelineSupport.org

Qualify through a government program:

Check all programs that you or someone in your household have:
Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) (Food Stamps)
Supplemental Security Income (SSI)
Medicaid
Federal Public Housing Assistance (FPHA)
Veterans Pension or Survivors Benefit Programs
Tribal Specific Programs Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) General Assistance Tribal Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (Tribal TANF) Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR) Tribal Head Start (only households that meet the income qualifying standard)

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Qualify through your income:

(Only fill this out if you do not qualify through a government program.)

Including you, how many people live in your household? (check one)	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 (not Alaska and Hawaii)	Alaska	Hawaii					
1	\$20,331	\$25,394	\$23,369	Yes	No			
2	\$27,594	\$34,479	\$31,725	Yes	No			
3	\$34,857	\$43,565	\$40,082	Yes	No			
4	\$42,120	\$52,650	\$48,438	Yes	No			
5	\$49,383	\$61,736	\$56,795	Yes	No			
6	\$56,646	\$70,821	\$65,151	Yes	No			
7	\$63,909	\$79,907	\$73,508	Yes	No			
8	\$71,172	\$88,992	\$81,864	Yes	No			
If more than 8, add this amount for each extra person:	Add \$7,263	Add \$9,086	Add \$8,357	Yes	No			
135% of the 2024 Federal Poverty Guide *The Federal Poverty Guidelines are typic;		anuarv.						





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

Signa	ature	Today's Date
Initial	The certification below applies to all consumers and is required. I was truthful about whether or not I am a resident of Tribal lathis form.	
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Initial	I (or my dependent or other person in my household) current program(s) listed on this form or my annual household incom Poverty Guidelines (the amount listed in the Federal Poverty	ne is 135% or less than the Federal





5. Agent Information

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

What is the agent	a's full legal nan	ne?			
The name you use on o	official documents, l	ike your Social Securit	y Card or State ID. No	t a nickname.	
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What is the agent	a's Representati	ve ID number?	What is th	e agent's dat	te of birth?





Notice

PAPERWORK REDUCTION ACT NOTICE: Section 54.410 of the Federal Communications Commission's rules requires all Lifeline subscribers to demonstrate their eligibility to receive Lifeline services. This collection of information stems from the FCC's authority under Section 254 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, 47 U.S.C. §254. Using this authority, the FCC has designated USAC as the permanent Lifeline Administrator. The FCC has published rules detailing how consumers can qualify for Lifeline services and what Lifeline services they may receive (47 CFR §54.400 et seq.). The data provided in response to this information collection will be used by USAC to verify the applicant's eligibility for Lifeline services.

We have estimated that each response to this collection of information will take, on average, between 0.25 and 0.75 hours. Our estimate includes the time to read the questions, look through existing records, gather the required data, and actually complete and review the form or response. If you have any comments on this estimate, or how we can improve the collection and reduce the burden it causes you, please write to the Federal Communications Commission, OMD-PERM, Paperwork Reduction Project (3060-0819), Washington, D.C. 20554. We also will accept your comments via the Internet if you send them to PRA@fcc.gov. Please DO NOT SEND COMPLETED DATA COLLECTION FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS.

Remember – You are not required to respond to a collection of information sponsored by the Federal government, and the government may not conduct or sponsor this collection, unless it displays a currently valid Office of Management and Budget (OMB) control number. This collection has been assigned an OMB control number of 3060-0819.

The Commission is authorized under the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, to collect the information we request on this form. If we believe there may be a violation or potential violation of a statute or a Commission regulation, rule, or order, your response may be referred to the Federal, state, or local agency responsible for investigating, prosecuting, enforcing, or implementing the statute, rule, regulation, or order. In certain cases, the information in your form may be disclosed to the Department of Justice, court, or other adjudicative body when (a) the Commission; (b) any employee of the Commission; or (c) the United States government, is a party to a proceeding before the body or has an interest in the proceeding.

If you do not provide the information we request on this form, you will not be eligible to receive Lifeline services under the Lifeline Program rules, 47 C.F.R. §§ 54.400-54.423.

The foregoing Notice is required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, P.L. No. 104-13, 44 U.S.C. § 3501, et seq.

PRIVACY ACT STATEMENT: 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: Section 254 of the Communications Act (47 U.S.C. § 254), as amended, 47 U.S.C. §254, authorizes the FCC to operate the Lifeline program. Using this authority, the FCC has designated USAC as the permanent Lifeline Administrator. The FCC has published rules detailing how consumers can qualify for Lifeline services and what Lifeline services they may receive (47 CFR §54.400 et seq.).

Purpose: We are collecting this personal information so we can verify that you qualify for the Lifeline Program and so we can efficiently provide Lifeline services to you. We access, maintain and use your personal information in the manner described in the Lifeline System of Records Notice (SORN), FCC/WCB-1, is available at https://www.fcc.gov/managing-director/privacytransparency/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; with other federal and state government agencies that help us determine your Lifeline eligibility; with the telecommunications companies that provide you Lifeline service; and with law enforcement and other officials investigating potential violations of Lifeline rules.

A complete listing of the ways we may use your information is published in the Lifeline 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. §§ 54.400-54.423.