



Affordable Connectivity Program

Replacing the Emergency Broadband Benefit Program in 2022

What is the Affordable Connectivity Program?

The Affordable Connectivity Program (ACP) replaces, expands, and makes permanent the FCC temporary Emergency Broadband Benefit (EBB) program, which helped low-income households afford internet service during the pandemic. ACP will help ensure that eligible households can continue to afford internet connections needed for school, work, health care, and more. The program includes:

- \$30/month for broadband services for eligible households
- \$75/month for households on qualifying tribal lands
- A one-time discount of up to \$100 for a laptop, desktop computer, or tablet purchased through a participating provider (discount is not available through ACP if you received it under the EBB program)

Who is eligible to receive the ACP benefit?

A household is eligible if one member of the household:

- Has an income that is at or below 200% of the Federal Poverty Guideline
- Participates in certain government assistance programs such as SNAP, Medicaid, WIC, or other programs
- Receives a Lifeline benefit
- Located on qualifying Tribal lands (go to acpbenefit.org for Tribal land qualifications)

Will I need to re-apply if I currently receive the EBB benefit?

All EBB qualifications will transition to ACP except for:

- Households that qualified for EBB due to a substantial loss of income due to job loss or furlough are not eligible to receive benefits in the ACP
- Households that met the eligible criteria for a participating internet service provider COVID-19 program will need to re-qualify for the ACP

What has changed in the new program?

- » Households will be able to choose service from participating providers
- » ACP benefits will be \$30/month, except for households on Tribal lands, which will continue at the benefit amount of \$75/months

What are the effective dates of ACP?

- » Applications received after December 31, 2021, will fall under ACP guidelines and will receive the \$30/month benefit once approved
- » Existing EBB recipients receiving the \$50/month benefit will transition to a \$30/month ACP benefit March 1, 2022

How to Apply

1 Contact your preferred participating provider directly to learn about their application process.

2 acpbenefit.org
Submit an application and/or find participating providers near you.

HAVE QUESTIONS? NEED HELP? Contact us.

Contact the Connectivity Champions directly: **1)** webform at www.ohio-k12.help/remotedx, **2)** email or text at connectme@ohio-k12.help, or **3)** phone at 844-K12-OHIO (844-512-6446).