

HOW THE BIPARTISAN INFRASTRUCTURE LAW

is expanding access to high speed internet



U.S. Senator Gary Peters

U.S. Senator Gary Peters (MI) is committed to removing barriers to high-speed, affordable internet access. Thanks to the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law – which Gary helped pass – millions of families who previously could not get online or struggled to pay for this modern-day necessity can now be connected. Michigan is receiving a minimum of \$100 million to help deliver high-speed internet coverage across the state, including access to the hundreds of thousands of Michiganders who currently lack it. An estimated 2.5 million Michiganders (25% percent of the state) are estimated to be eligible for the Affordable Connectivity Program (ACP).

The law includes funding for the Affordable Connectivity Program, which provides a discount of up to \$30 per month toward internet service for eligible households and up to \$75 per month for households on qualifying Tribal lands. Already 10 million Americans have utilized this program for affordable high-speed internet.

It's a top priority for Gary to ensure all Americans have access to reliable, affordable, high-speed internet to learn, work, and participate in the 21st century economy. See below to learn more about the Affordable Connectivity Program and how you can apply.

What is the Affordable Connectivity Program?

The Affordable Connectivity Program is the nation's largest broadband affordability program. Created through the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law, it allows qualifying households the ability to apply to receive a discount of **up to \$30 per month toward internet service** and up to **\$75 per month for eligible households on Tribal lands**. Eligible households can also receive a one-time discount of up to \$100 to purchase a laptop, desktop computer, or tablet from participating providers if the household contributes more than \$10 and less than \$50 toward the purchase price.

Who is eligible for the Affordable Connectivity Program?

A household is eligible for the Affordable Connectivity Program if the household income is at or below 200% of the Federal Poverty Guidelines, or if a member of the household meets at least one of the criteria below:

- Participates in certain assistance programs, such as SNAP, Medicaid, Federal Public Housing Assistance, SSI, WIC, or Lifeline;



- Participates in Tribal specific programs, such as Bureau of Indian Affairs General Assistance, Tribal TANF, or Food Distribution Program on Indian
- Eligible to participate in the National School Lunch Program or the School Breakfast Program, including through the USDA Community Eligibility Provision;
- Received a Federal Pell Grant during the current award year; or
- Meets the eligibility criteria for a participating broadband provider's existing low-income internet program.

Where can I get more information about the Affordable Connectivity Program?

You can learn more about the Affordable Connectivity Program and sign up to be an outreach partner, by visiting www.fcc.gov/ACP. To find a list of participating providers in the program, please visit www.fcc.gov/affordable-connectivity-program-providers. To enroll for the Affordable Connectivity Program, eligible households should visit www.ACPbenefit.org, or mail in an application, a household worksheet, and supporting documentation to ACP Support Center, PO Box 7081, London, KY 40742. More information on how to apply can be found at <https://acpbenefit.org/how-to-apply/> or by calling (877) 384-2575.

What can I do to spread awareness about the nation's largest broadband affordability program?

- **Enroll Today:** Qualifying households can enroll in the Affordable Connectivity Program by visiting www.ACPbenefit.org or by calling (877) 384-2575 to request a mail-in application.
- **Help Your Community Enroll:** The FCC is mobilizing people and organizations to help share important consumer information about the new Affordable Connectivity Program. Sign up as an enrollment partner today at www.fcc.gov/ACP.
- **Spread the Word:** Are you organizing school packet pick-ups or a local food drive? Print out flyers to include in pick-up materials. Print off your choice of flyers in a variety of sizes and languages by visiting www.fcc.gov/acp-consumer-outreach-toolkit
- **Connect with Anchor Institutions:** Ensure your local schools, libraries, and community centers know about the ACP and have the information they need to help their eligible students and patrons enroll.

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- **Share information about ACP on Social Media:** The FCC has ready-to-post graphics, videos, and PSA's ready for you to share with your network. Download the sample graphics/explore the gallery here www.fcc.gov/acp-consumer-outreach-toolkit.
- **Request a Speaker for an Event:** Have a local event coming up? Do you host a local news program? Want to train your members to serve as local ambassadors for the program? Request a speaker to share more information about the Affordable Connectivity Program by emailing ACPspeakers@fcc.gov.