HOW TO APPLY FOR BIPARTISAN INFRASTRUCTURE LAW FUNDING



Through the Federal Communications Commission

U.S. Senator Gary Peters

U.S. Senator Gary Peters (MI) helped pass the bipartisan Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act into law which will help grow our economy, strengthen our economic competitiveness and make our economy more sustainable, resilient, and equitable.

See below to learn about programs through the Federal Communications Commission that are supported through the bipartisan infrastructure law – and how you may be eligible to apply for assistance.

Resources:

Emergency Broadband Benefit Fact Sheet HERE

Competitive Grant Funding:

• Affordable Connectivity Fund (\$14.2B): This new long-term program will replace the Emergency Broadband Benefit Program, which was a temporary program created in response to the COVID-19 pandemic and funded by an appropriation of \$3.2 billion. The law appropriates an additional \$14.2 billion for the ACP, to remain available until expended. Households enrolled in the Emergency Broadband Benefit (EBB) Program as of December 31, 2021, will continue to receive their current monthly benefit until March 1, 2022.

The new ACF is intended to continue the funding provided through the EBB and ensure that people can continue to afford the connections needed for work, school, and health care, among other goals.

- What's Changing?
 - The maximum monthly benefit will change from \$50 per month to \$30 per month for households not located on qualifying Tribal lands. The monthly benefit will remain at \$75 per month for households on qualifying Tribal lands.
 - Households have new ways to qualify for the Affordable Connectivity Program such as: receiving WIC benefits or having an income at or below 200% of the Federal Poverty Guidelines





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- Households that qualified for the Emergency Broadband Benefit due to a substantial loss of income due to job loss or furlough since February 29, 2020 or by meeting the eligibility criteria for a participating provider's COVID-19 program will need to requalify for the Affordable Connectivity Program.
- More information about actions current Emergency Broadband Benefit recipients will need to take to continue receiving the Affordable Connectivity Program benefit after the transition period will be available in the coming weeks. Stay tuned for updates.

