

Notice required under Minnesota Statutes 237.70, Subd. 7(b):

Template for Annual Notice to Residential Customers

Insert your Telephone Company Name/Logo

You may be eligible for monthly discounts on your telephone bill under the federal Lifeline and the state Telephone Assistance Plan (TAP) programs.

The telephone service must be in your name and you must show proof you receive benefits under one or more of the following programs:

- Medicaid/Medical Assistance
- Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), formerly known as Food Stamps
- Minnesota Family Investment Program (MFIP)/Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF)
- Supplemental Security Income (SSI)
- Federal Public Housing Assistance or Section 8 Assistance
- Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP)
- National School Lunch Program's (NSLP) Free Lunch Program

If you live on a federally-recognized reservation, you may also qualify for the Link-up program, a discount on activation charges. Additional qualifying assistance programs for persons living on a reservation are:

- Bureau of Indian Affairs General Assistance
- Tribally administered Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TTANF)
- Head Start (only households meeting the income qualifying standard)
- Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations

If you do not participate in any of the programs listed above, you may qualify if your income is at or below 135% of the **2015 Federal Poverty Income Guidelines**:

Household Size	Income
1	\$15,889
2	\$21,505
3	\$27,121
4	\$32,737
5	\$38,353
Each additional person, add	\$ 5,616

Under the federal Lifeline program you can receive a monthly credit of \$9.25 that applies to either a landline telephone service plan or landline telephone service plan. There is one monthly credit per household.

Under Minnesota's Telephone Assistance Plan (TAP), you can receive a monthly credit of \$3.50 which applies only to your landline telephone service plan and must be in the subscriber's name. There is one monthly credit per household.

For more information and to request an application, please contact (*insert your telephone company contact information*).