

Since 1985, Lifeline has helped millions of Americans connect to what's important - family, work, doctors, and emergency services – by making telephone service more affordable for qualified families.

Lifeline is a federal program that provides a monthly \$9.25 discount on telephone service to qualified households. You may qualify for Lifeline if your total household income is at or below 135% of the federal poverty guidelines; or if you, your dependent or your household receives one of the following:

- Federal Public Housing Assistance or Section 8
- Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP)
- Medicaid
- National School Lunch free lunch program
- Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (formerly Food Stamps)
- Supplemental Security Income (SSI)
- Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF)

Lifeline is available on one telephone line per household. If you or someone in your household has Lifeline on a wireless phone, then you cannot get it on your home phone too. You may not transfer your Lifeline discount to another person, even if he or she qualifies for Lifeline.

If you believe you qualify to Lifeline, stop by our office and fill out an application form and mail the form to Lifeline Administration Service, PO Box 11037, Lansing, MI 48901 or fax to 517-482-3548. Please note that you must enroll in Lifeline service and you must provide proof of eligibility before receiving support. Additional Information can be found here: <http://telecommich.org/lifeline/>.

You have the option of blocking outgoing long distance toll calls free of charge. If you elect this option, you will not be charged a service deposit to initiate Lifeline Service.