

Lifeline Link-Up Program

Link-Up is a one-time federal benefit that helps reduce the cost of starting new voice service for qualifying Lifeline subscribers living on Tribal lands.

Up to \$100 off

the one-time charge to start voice-only service at your primary residence

| What Link-Up Provides

- A discount of **up to \$100** off the customary charge for initial connection of voice-only service.
- For service initiation charges of up to \$200, Link-Up also offers a **deferred, no-interest payment plan** for up to one year on the remaining balance.
- Link-Up is a **one-time benefit per address**. A new Link-Up benefit can only be requested again if the subscriber moves to a new primary residence.

| Who Qualifies

To receive Link-Up, a consumer must:

- Reside on **qualifying Tribal lands**, and
- Already qualify for the **Tribal Lifeline** benefit (through income or a qualifying program), and
- Use a **facilities-based service provider** that receives High Cost program support.

Note: Tribal Link-Up support is only offered through carriers that are building out infrastructure on Tribal lands. Not all Lifeline providers offer Link-Up — check with your provider to confirm availability.

| Verifying Tribal Land Eligibility

You can confirm whether your home address qualifies using either of these official tools:

- The **Tribal Lands Verification Tool** — search by street address or by latitude/longitude coordinates.
- The **Eligible Tribal Lands for the Lifeline Program map** — a nationwide map of all qualifying Tribal lands.

These tools are informational only and do not by themselves establish eligibility for the Lifeline or Link-Up benefit. An approved Lifeline application is still required.

How It Works With Your Provider

- Before applying Link-Up, your service provider must check the **National Lifeline Accountability Database (NLAD)** to confirm you haven't already received a Link-Up benefit at your address.
- If your address returns an Address Management Service (AMS) error during verification, you may be asked to provide coordinates or other location information to confirm you live on qualifying Tribal lands.

Link-Up and Tribal Lifeline: How They Work Together

Benefit	Type	Amount
Standard Lifeline	Monthly discount	Up to \$9.25/month
Enhanced Tribal Lifeline	Monthly discount (Tribal lands)	Up to \$34.25/month total
Link-Up	One-time connection discount (Tribal lands, voice-only, facilities-based)	Up to \$100 one-time

How to Apply

- Apply for Lifeline first through the [National Verifier](#) or through our company directly.
- Once your Lifeline application is approved, ask us whether Link-Up is available for your address and service type.
- If eligible, the Link-Up discount will be applied to your service initiation charges automatically.

Source: Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC), Lifeline Enhanced Tribal Benefit page, and the FCC's Lifeline Support for Affordable Communications page. Program rules are subject to change; for the most current information, visit usac.org/lifeline/enhanced-tribal-benefit or lifelinesupport.org/tribal-lands-benefit.