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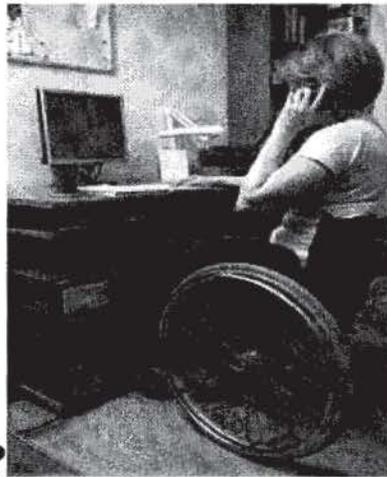
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## Lifeline

### For low income consumers.

The Lifeline Program was designed to preserve and promote telephone services to qualified low income households. The Lifeline Program provides a monthly credit for local service. You must be able to provide proof of participation in a qualifying program to be eligible for Lifeline assistance. Only one Lifeline service is available per household.

To find out if you are eligible to enroll in the Lifeline Program please check the information below or call us at (606) 297-3501 .



### Are there any restrictions?

Yes, an individual is allowed to enroll only once during a twelve month period at the same address. Only one Lifeline discount is available per household.

### Who is eligible?

You are eligible to enroll in the Lifeline program if you participate in one of the following:

- Kentucky Transitional Assistance Program (K-TAP)

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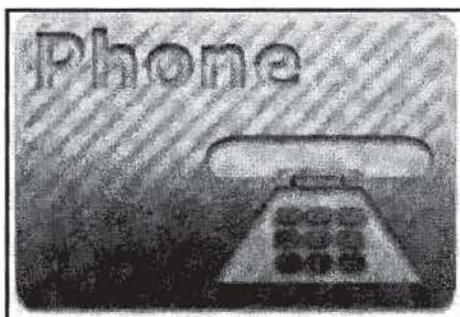
- Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP)
- Federal Public Housing Assistance
- Medicaid
- SNAP (formerly Food Stamps)
- Supplementary Security Income (SSI)
- Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF)
- National School Lunch Free Lunch Program
- Income for Household is at, or below, 135% of the Federal Poverty Level

## What Benefits does enrollment in Lifeline provide?

Enrollment in Lifeline provides the following benefits:

- Waiver of the Federal Subscriber Line charge
- Reduction in monthly Residence Line charge
- Waiver of deposit for local service
- Free toll blocking service

Lifeline is a government assistance program. It is non-transferrable, and only eligible consumers may enroll. Only one discount is available per household.



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**5. BASIC LOCAL EXCHANGE SERVICE (Cont'd)**

5.4 Lifeline

5.4.1 Description of Service

1. The Lifeline program is designed to increase the availability of telecommunications services to low income subscribers by providing a credit to monthly recurring local service for qualifying residential subscribers. Basic terms and conditions are in compliance with the FCC's Order on Universal Service in CC Docket 97-157, which adopts the Federal-State joint Board recommendation in CC Docket 96-45, which complies with the Telecommunications Act of 1996. Specific terms and conditions are as prescribed by the Kentucky Public Service Commission and are as set forth in this tariff.
2. Lifeline is supported by the federal and state universal service support mechanisms.

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3. Federal baseline support is available for each Lifeline service and is passed through to the subscriber. In addition state support is available for each Lifeline service and is passed through to the subscriber. The total amount of the eligible credit will not exceed the sum of the state and federal subscriber support or the charge for local service, which includes the access line, the Subscriber Line Charge and local usage.

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**5. BASIC LOCAL EXCHANGE SERVICE (Cont'd)**

5.4 Lifeline (cont'd)

5.4.2 Regulations

1. **(D)**
2. One low- income credit is available per household and is applicable to the primary residential connection only.
3. A Lifeline customer may subscribe to any local service offering available to other residence customers.
4. Full Toll blocking, if elected, will be provided at no charge to the Lifeline subscriber.
5. The deposit requirement is not applicable to a Lifeline customer who subscribes to full toll blocking. If a Lifeline customer removes full toll blocking prior to establishing an acceptable credit history, a deposit may be required. When applicable, advance payments will not exceed the connection and local service charges for one month.
6. The federal primary inter-exchange carrier charge (PICC) will not be billed to Lifeline customers who subscribe to full toll blocking and do not pre-subscribe to a long distance carrier(s).

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**5. BASIC LOCAL EXCHANGE SERVICE (Cont'd)**

5.4 Lifeline (cont'd)

5.4.2 Regulations (cont'd)

7. A Lifeline subscriber's local service will not be disconnected for non-payment of regulated toll charges. Local service may be denied for non-payment of local and miscellaneous service in accordance with Section 2 of this Tariff. Access to toll service may be denied for non-payment of regulated tolls. A Lifeline subscriber's request for reconnection of local service will not be denied if the service was previously denied for non-payment of toll charges.
8. Lifeline is not available for resale.

5.4.3 Eligibility

To be eligible for a Lifeline credit, a customer must be a current recipient of any one of the following low-income assistance programs or have income at or below 135 percent of the Federal Poverty Guidelines [Note 1]. (C)

1. Supplemental Security Income (SSI)
2. Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (T)
3. Medicaid
4. Federal public housing / Section 8
5. Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP)
6. Temporary Assistance to Needy Families program (TANF)
7. National School Lunch's free program (NSL)

All applications for service are subject to verification with the state agency responsible for administration of the qualifying program.

[Note 1] This provision is effective June 1, 2012.

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**5. BASIC LOCAL EXCHANGE SERVICE (Cont'd)**

**5.4 Lifeline (cont'd)**

**5.4.4 Certification**

1. Proof of eligibility in any of the qualifying low-income programs should be provided to the company at the time of application for service. The Lifeline credit will not be established until the Company has received proof of eligibility. If the customer requests installation prior to the company's receipt of proof of eligibility, the requested service will be provided without the Lifeline credit. When eligibility documentation is provided subsequent to installation, the Lifeline credit will be provided on a going forward basis.
2. Proof of eligibility shall be in the form of an affidavit, certifying under penalty of perjury, that the subscriber is receiving benefits under one of the qualifying programs. It is the customer's responsibility to notify the company when the customer is no longer participating in any of the qualifying programs.
3. The company reserves the right to periodically audit its records, working in conjunction with the appropriate state agencies, for the purpose of determining continuing eligibility. Information obtained during such audit will be treated as confidential information to the extent required under State and Federal law. The use or disclosure of information concerning enrollees will be limited to purposes directly connected with the administration of the Lifeline plan.
4. When a customer is determined to be ineligible as a result of an audit, the company will contact the customer. If the customer cannot provide eligibility documentation, the Lifeline credit will be discontinued.

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**5. BASIC LOCAL EXCHANGE SERVICE (Cont'd)**

5.4 Lifeline (cont'd)

5.4.5 Application of Rates and Charges

1. Lifeline is provided as a monthly credit on the eligible residential subscriber's access line bill for local service.
2. Service charges may be applicable for installing or changing Lifeline service.
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4. Service charges do not apply for converting existing service to Lifeline.

5.4.6 Credit Amount

The Lifeline credit passed through to the customer consists of:

Credit, one per Lifeline per Household, limited to the total amount of charges.

The State and Federal Credit, one per Lifeline.

	<u>Federal</u>	<u>State</u>
Lifeline Credit	\$9.25 (R)	\$3.50

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