

**LIFELINE APPLICATION**

Eligible customers will receive \$11.25 off their monthly phone bill  
and seniors aged 65 and older can receive additional discounts.

**TOLL FREE 1-866-321-2323**

To apply for Lifeline Service, complete the application below and send it to:

**Lifeline Administration Service**

**PO Box 11037, Lansing, Michigan 48901 OR fax to 517-482-3548**

**IDENTIFICATION INFORMATION (PLEASE PRINT)**

Applicant's phone number:		Name of phone company:	
Date of Birth:	Last 4-digits of Social Security Number:		
Last Name:	First Name:	M.I.:	
Street: <b>Residential street address only; FCC regulations prohibit the use of P.O. Boxes for the Lifeline program</b>			
City:	State:	ZIP Code:	
This is my permanent address: Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> This is a rural address with no postal route: Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>			
Billing Address, City, State and Zip Code (if different from Service Address)			
There are multiple unique households (e.g. nursing home, assisted living facility) at my address, as defined in this program.		YES <input type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>

**PROGRAM QUALIFICATION INFORMATION**

To be eligible for Lifeline discounts, regulations require you to qualify via one of the two methods below. Please fill out one section only.

**Method 1. My income is within the guidelines and I am providing the following photocopies that document my total household income, which is stated below. Please check all that apply.**

**TOTAL MONTHLY INCOME: \$** **NUMBER OF HOUSEHOLD MEMBERS:**

# of Household Members	Gross Monthly Income	Gross Annual Income*
1	\$1,459	\$17,505
2	\$1,966	\$23,595
3	\$2,474	\$29,685
4	\$2,981	\$35,775

\*Add \$6,090 (\$508 monthly) for each additional household member.

<input type="checkbox"/> Prior year's state or federal tax return.	<input type="checkbox"/> Current Annual Income Statement from Employer
<input type="checkbox"/> Social Security statement of benefits	<input type="checkbox"/> Paycheck stubs or other official document containing income information for any 3 consecutive months within last 12 months
<input type="checkbox"/> Retirement/pension statement of benefits	<input type="checkbox"/> Veterans Administration statement of benefits
<input type="checkbox"/> Unemployment/Worker's Compensation Statement of Benefits	<input type="checkbox"/> Divorce decree or child support document containing income information

**Method 2. I, or the member of my household named below, receives assistance from one of the listed programs. I am providing documentation of participation in the checked program.**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

<input type="checkbox"/> Food stamps	<input type="checkbox"/> Federal Public Housing Assistance or Section 8
<input type="checkbox"/> Medicaid	<input type="checkbox"/> Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF)
<input type="checkbox"/> Supplemental Security Income	<input type="checkbox"/> National School Lunch – Free Lunch Program
<input type="checkbox"/> Low-Income Home Energy Plan (LIHEAP)	

**LIFELINE ADMINISTRATION SERVICE PROCESSES APPLICATIONS FOR THE FOLLOWING COMPANIES**

Ace Communications	Chapin Telephone Company	Sand Creek Telephone Company
Allband Communications Coop.	Chippewa County Telephone Company	Southwest Michigan Communications
Allendale Telephone Company	Climax Telephone Company	Springport Telephone Company
Baraga Telephone Company	Deerfield Farmers' Telephone Co.	TDS Telecom
Barry County Telephone Company	Hiawatha Telephone Company	Thumb Cellular
Blanchard Telephone Company	Kaleva Telephone Company	Upper Peninsula Telephone Company
Bloomington Communications	Lennon Telephone Company	Waldron Telephone Company
Carr Telephone Company	Michigan Central Broadband Co.	Westphalia Broadband, Inc./Comlink
CenturyLink of Michigan	Midway Telephone Company	Westphalia Telephone Company
CenturyLink of Midwest Michigan	Ogden Communications	Winn Telecom
CenturyLink of Northern Michigan	Ontonagon County Telephone Co.	Winn Telephone Company
CenturyLink of Upper Michigan	Pigeon Telephone Company	

**For more information, please call 1-866-321-2323.**

If your phone company is not on the list above, please contact them directly to apply for Lifeline discounts.

**APPLICANT ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS**

**PLEASE READ AND INITIAL EACH OF THE FOLLOWING STATEMENTS TO INDICATE THAT YOU UNDERSTAND AND AGREE:**

- I understand and consent to Lifeline Administration Service providing my Lifeline service account information, including but not limited to, my name, residential address, phone number, date of birth, the last 4 digits of my social security number, the date on which my Lifeline service was initiated/terminated, the amount of Lifeline support provided, and the means through which I qualified for Lifeline, to the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC), USAC's agents and/or the National Lifeline Accountability Database to ensure the proper administration of the Lifeline program. I understand that if I fail to provide this consent, Lifeline Administration Service will deny me Lifeline service.
- Lifeline is a non-transferable benefit and the subscriber may not transfer his or her benefit to any other person.
- Lifeline is a federal benefit and willfully making false statements to obtain the benefit can result in fines, imprisonment, de-enrollment or being barred from the program.
- Lifeline support is only available for a single phone line at my principal residence and no one else in my household is receiving Lifeline discounts. (A "household" is defined as any individual or group of individuals who live together at the same address and share income and expenses.)
- Violation of the one-per-household limitation constitutes a violation of the Federal Communication Commission's rules and will result in the subscriber's de-enrollment from the program and potentially prosecution by the US government.
- I understand that if I am identified as receiving more than one Lifeline benefit, all telephone service providers involved may be notified so that I may select one service and be de-enrolled from the other(s).
- I will notify my telephone company within 30 days if I no longer qualify for Lifeline and I may be subject to penalties if I fail to do so.
- I will notify my telephone company within 30 days of any changes to my residential address.
- I will be required to certify my continued eligibility for Lifeline at least once a year and know failure to do so will result in termination of my participation in the program.

**APPLICANT SIGNATURE**

**I certify, under penalty of perjury, that the information provided in this application and supporting documentation is true and complete.**

Signature:

Date:

LOCAL TELEPHONE EXCHANGE SERVICE

LIFELINE SERVICE

A. DESCRIPTION

1. Lifeline Service applies discounts to monthly recurring rates for qualifying residential customers. These discounts are applied to existing tariffed rates and charges for residential telephone service.
2. In order to be eligible for Lifeline Service a residential customer's household income must be at or below 150% of the poverty level as determined by the United States Office of Management and Budget and as approved by the State Treasurer or the customer must participate in one of the following federal assistance program:
  - a. Medicaid
  - b. Food stamps
  - c. Supplemental security income
  - d. Federal public housing assistance
  - e. Low-income home energy assistance program
  - f. National school lunch program's free lunch program
  - g. Temporary assistance for needy families
3. Lifeline Service includes the services and functionalities enumerated in by the F.C.C. as follows: voice grade access to the public switched network; local usage; dual tone multi-frequency signaling or its functional equivalent; single-party service or its functional equivalent; access to operator services; access to interexchange service; access to directory assistance; and toll blocking for qualifying customers.
4. Other services can be provided with the Lifeline Service at applicable rates and charges.

B. REGULATIONS

1. Regulations specified elsewhere in the Company's tariffs apply to Lifeline Service.
2. Lifeline Service is available only with residence services, excluding foreign exchange service. Lifeline Service is limited to one line per household at the customer's primary residence.
3. A miscellaneous service charge does not apply when Lifeline Service is added or discontinued to existing service when that is the only work being done.
4.
  - a. A discount of 20% of the Basic Local Exchange rate or \$11.25, whichever is greater, on the monthly rate for Basic Local Exchange Service for Lifeline customers is applicable. For Lifeline customers 65 years of age or more, the discount will be 25% of the Basic Local Exchange rate or \$12.35, whichever is greater. The total discount shall not exceed 100% of all end-user common line charges plus all access recovery charges plus the Basic Local Exchange rate. (C)  
(C)
  - b. The credit will be applied in the following order: (1) The Interstate End User Access Charge and Access Recovery Charge, National Exchange Carriers Association, Inc. Tariff F.C.C. No. 5, Access Service, and (2) The balance of the credit, if any, will be applied as a credit to the Basic Local Exchange rate. (C)  
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  - c. The Company will provide, at the qualifying customer's option, toll blocking service at no charge. The Company defines toll blocking as a service provided by the Company that lets the customer elect not to allow the completion of outgoing toll calls from their telecommunications channel.
  - d. The Company will not require a service deposit in order to initiate Lifeline Service if the qualifying customer voluntarily elects toll blocking service.
  - e. The Company will not disconnect Lifeline Service for non-payment of toll charges by qualifying customers.
5. The Lifeline plan will apply after receipt and processing of a completed Company or community/government provided application, including documentation indicating that the household income meets the eligibility standards established above.
6. Customers of Lifeline Service must notify the Company of any changes which would affect qualification. Reverification of eligibility will take place on an ongoing basis. When the customer is no longer eligible for Lifeline service, the Lifeline discount would be discontinued and regular tariff rates and charges would apply.

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By: Mitchel Bogner, Manager

Branch, Michigan

Carr Telephone Company  
Tariff M.P.S.C. No. 1 (R)

2nd Revised Sheet No. 11.1  
Cancels 1st Revised Sheet No. 11.1

LOCAL TELEPHONE EXCHANGE SERVICE  
LIFELINE SERVICE

C. MONTHLY RATE FOR NON LIFELINE CUSTOMERS

A rate specified in MECA's Tariff M.P.S.C No. 25 Part XVII, Section 17.1.2.1 applies per exchange access line to cover the costs of the Lifeline service, to the Telephone Company intrastate services as listed below:

- Business and Residence exchange services excluding Lifeline customers.
- PBX Trunk Services
- Centrex Services

The rate for business Centrex station lines will be computed based on the trunk Equivalence Table specified in the Company's Tariff M.P.S.C. No. 2.

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**FEDERAL PROGRAMS**

**1. UNIVERSAL SERVICE SUPPORT FOR LIBRARIES AND SCHOOLS**

1. In accordance with 1997 PA 95 of the Michigan Telecommunications Act, and 47 CFR 54.500 *et. seq.*, eligible elementary and secondary schools shall receive intrastate services at discounts equal to the discounts applicable for eligible interstate services if the Company receives federal universal support for such telecommunication services.
2. In accordance with 1997 PA 96 of the Michigan Telecommunications Act, and 47 CFR 54.500 *et seq.*, eligible libraries shall receive intrastate services at discounts equal to the discounts applicable for eligible interstate services if the Company receives federal universal support for such telecommunication services.
3. Eligibility for discounts shall be determined in accordance with 47 CFR 54.500 *et seq.*

**2. UNIVERSAL SERVICE SUPPORT FOR HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS**

1. In accordance with 47 CFR 54.601 *et. seq.*, the Company shall offer services to eligible health care providers to the extent that facilities and services are available.
2. Eligibility qualifications, provider selection, etc. shall be determined in accordance with 47 CFR 54.601 *et. seq.*
3. Services to eligible health care providers at reduced rates will be offered in accordance with 47 CFR 54.601 *et. seq.*
4. Reduced rates to eligible health care providers are available only to the extent that adequate funding is available from the federal universal support fund.

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**CARR TELEPHONE COMPANY (SAC 310683)**

**ATTACHMENT - LINE 3026**

**ATTACHMENT REDACTED IN ENTIRETY**