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The [Emergency Broadband Benefit](#) is a federal program providing increased access to broadband internet and connected devices for qualifying income-eligible households.

If your household is eligible, you can receive:

- A monthly discount on your internet bill (up to a \$50 per month)
- A one-time discount of up to \$100 to purchase a laptop, tablet, or desktop computer through a participating provider

Visit getemergencybroadband.org to check if you qualify, apply, and find a provider near you.

The internet has been a lifeline for many families throughout the pandemic, offering opportunities to connect while meeting the challenges of physical distancing. Digital equity as an essential component for participating in daily life activities—the internet is not optional for job seekers, those in need of telehealth services, or distance learners.

According to the [National Digital Inclusion Alliance](#), 18 million US households do not have broadband access of any kind, including mobile or satellite. Some are in areas where broadband hasn't been built, but the majority just don't have the income to afford it.

Supporting affordable internet access is just one of our initiatives to support digital equity. We also offer circulating mobile hotspots and iPads in our [Library of Things](#) and the opportunity to build your computer skills through our [Northstar Digital Literacy](#) program.

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