NEW ACP APPLICATION ONLINE

The FCC made updates to the ACP online application. Thanks to the National Verifier's automated database, connections can now verify a consumer's eligibility, identity, and address information to determine if they qualify for the Affordable Connectivity Program. The outcome of these database checks will be shared with consumers before they are required to create an account or sign into their existing account. The process is now easier and more streamlined for the applicant and typically takes about 10 minutes to complete.

Pre-Qualify

Affordable Connectivity Program Application

Before you get started

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- Verify your identity using the last four digits of your Social Security Number, a Tribal ID number, or other government ID (Driver's License, Passport, etc.). Providing a Social Security Number may reduce the need to provide extra documentation.
- Enter an email address so we can contact you.

Next

The new flow of the application has two main options for the applicant.

Option 1

- Residents can provide the last four digits of their Social Security number to process their application faster.
- They will need an email address to receive communication and verification
- Enter the full home address of where the applicant wants service and their contact information.
- 2. Choose to confirm identity with their Social Security number.
- 3. Enter their full name and date of birth.
- 4. Choose how they would like to confirm eligibility (SNAP or Medicaid).
- 5. Review information.
- 6. Find out if they qualify or need to provide more information.
- 7. Create account.
- 8. Complete certification.

Option 2

- Residents who choose not to provide the last four digits of their Social Security number or do not have auto-qualify can still qualify and will need to upload identity documentation.
- 1. Enter the full home address of where the applicant wants service and their contact information.
- 2. Choose how to confirm identity.
- 3. Enter their full name and date of birth.
- 4. Choose how they would like to confirm eligibility. If the applicant chooses qualification through a child or dependent, they will then select the child or dependent's personal information, and identification documentation, if applicable.
- 5. Review information.
- 6. Find out if they qualify or need to provide more information.
- 7. Create account.
- 8. Provide additional information and upload documentation if prompted to confirm their identity, address, and/or eligibility.
- 9. Complete certification.

	Steps	Online Application Overview
1	Tap or click on a web browser on your mobile device or computer. • Type AffordableConnectivity.gov in the web address bar and press Enter on the keyboard or Go/Search on your mobile device to open the website.	AA affordableconnectivity.gov An official website of the United States government Here's how you know USAC Affordable Connectivity Program Menu
2	Tap or click Apply Now .	Stay Connected The Affordable Connectivity Program (ACP) is a U.S. government program that helps many low income households pay for broadband service and internet connected devices. Apply Now Recertify

- Read about helpful tips and learn more about how your information will be used.
 - Tap or click **Next** to get started with your application.

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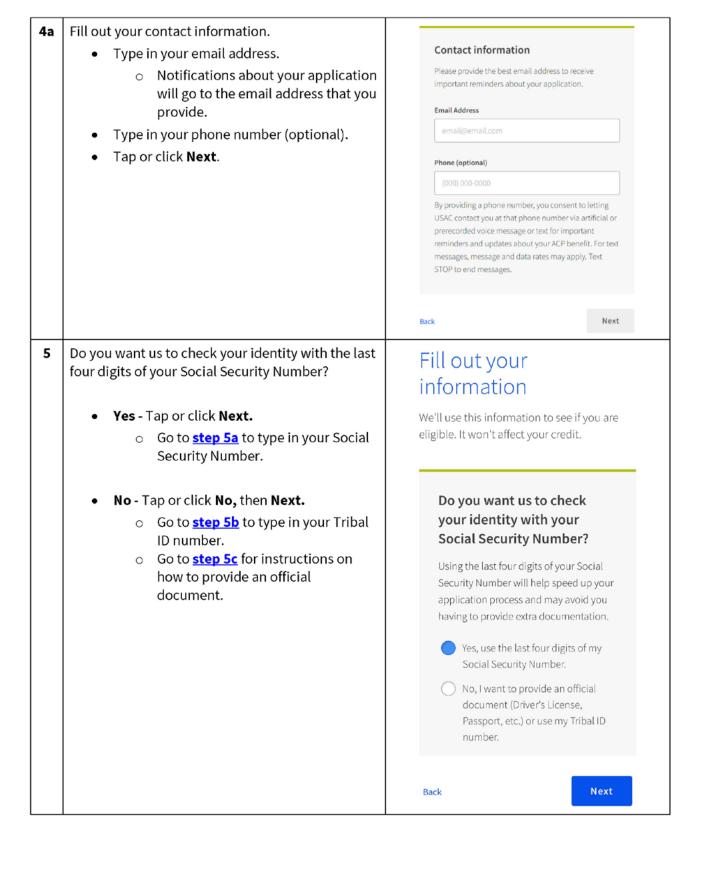
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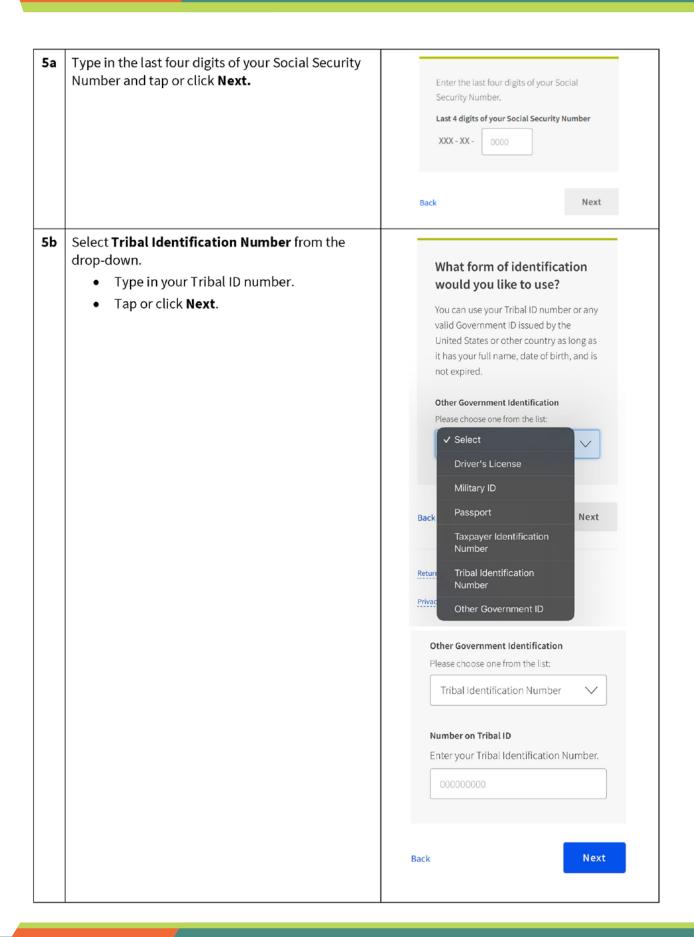
- 4 Fill out your home address and contact information.
 - Type in your home address.
 - o This cannot be a P.O. Box.

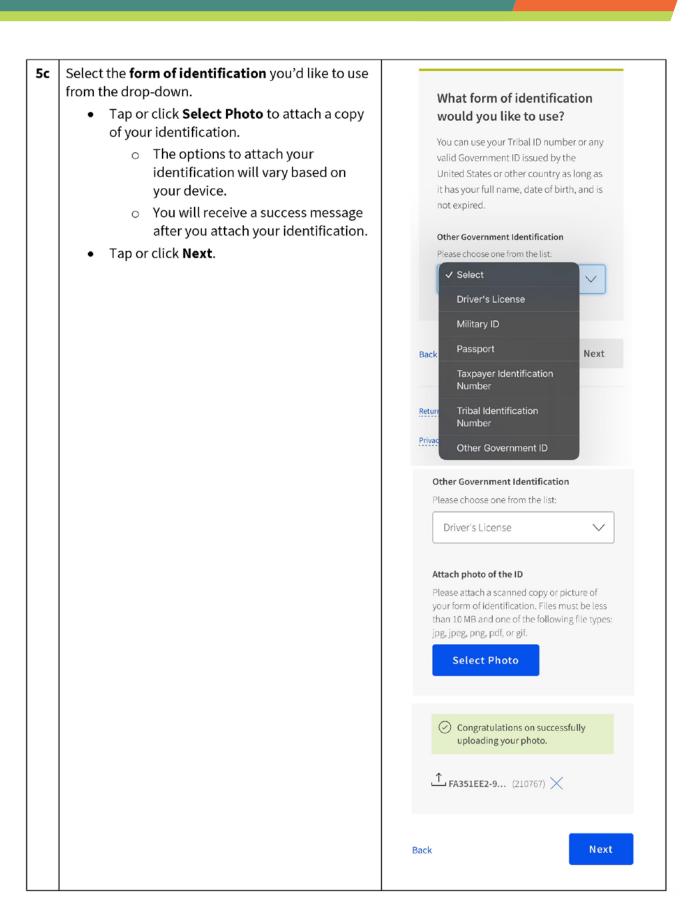
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 - o This can be a P.O. Box.

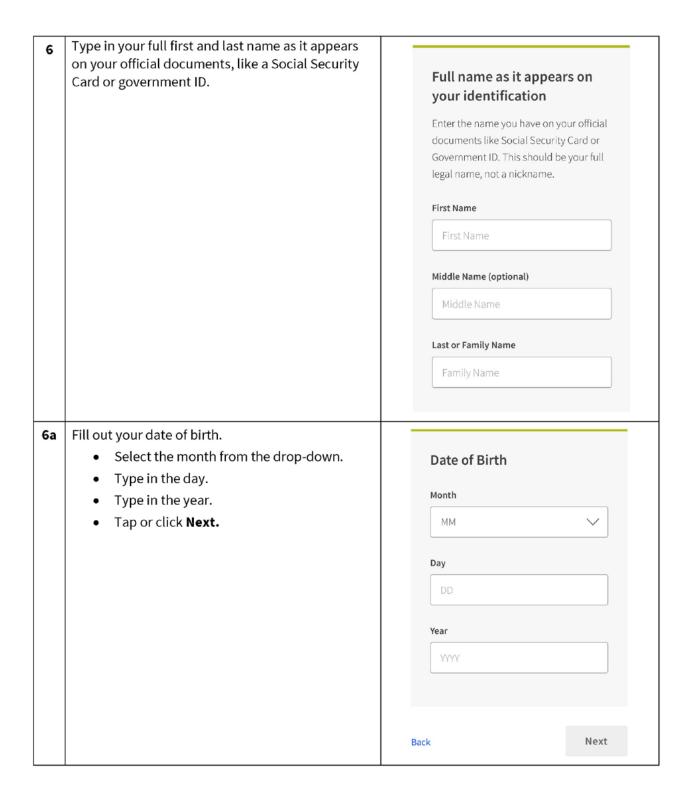
Fill out your information

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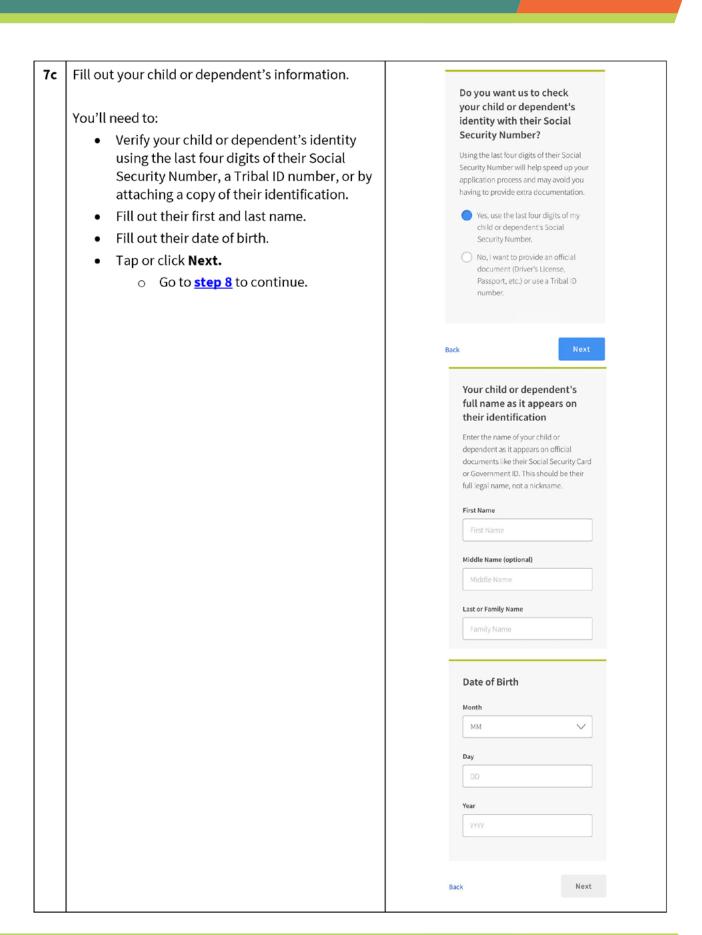






Do you participate in Medicaid or the Confirm your program Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program participation (SNAP)? Yes - Tap or click Next. Do you participate in Go to <u>step 8</u> to continue. Medicaid or the **Supplemental Nutrition** No - Tap or click No, then Next. Assistance Program (SNAP)? Go to <u>step 7a</u> if you qualify another If you do not participate in either of these way. programs you may still be eligible. We'll just need to ask a few more questions. Yes, I think I participate in Medicaid and/or SNAP. No, I do not think I participate in Medicaid and/or SNAP and want to qualify another way. Next Back 7a Do you participate in another program or qualify through your income? Which of the following programs do you participate in? Yes - Tap or click the check box next to all that apply. Check all that apply. Tap or click Next. Federal Pell Grant Go to step 8 to continue. Veterans Pension and Survivors Benefit Programs Federal Housing Assistance ? **No** - Tap or click the last check box if your Supplemental Security Income child or dependent may qualify. o Go to step 7b if your child or Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Woman, Infants, and dependent who may qualify. Tribal Specific Program (Only choose if you live on Tribal I don't think I participate in any of these programs, I may qualify through my income I don't participate in any of these, but I have a child or dependent who may qualify Next Back

7b	Does your child or dependent participate in a qualifying program? Tap or click the check box next to all that apply. Tap or click Next. Go to step 7c to continue.	Which of the following programs does your child or dependent participate in? Check all that apply. SNAP (Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program) or Food Stamps Medicaid Free and Reduced-Price School Lunch or Breakfast Program USDA Community Eligibility Provision (CEP) School
		Benefit Programs Federal Housing Assistance ? Supplemental Security Income (SSI) Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) Tribal Specific Program (Only choose if they live on Tribal lands) I don't think my child or dependent participates in any of these programs, but may qualify through income



8 Review your information.

- Review the information you provided. If you need to correct your information, tap or click fadit and make any edits.
- Review the consent statement to confirm the information you provided will be used to check if you are eligible.
- Tap or click Check my eligibility.
 - It may take a few minutes to check your information against available automated databases.

Review your information

Please review the information you provided and make any edits.

Your Information

Edit

Francine Tester

Home Address 123 Main Street Town, PA 11111

Mailing Address

Same

Date of Birth 1/01/1970

Phone (optional)
Not Provided

Email Address email@email.com

Your ID

Last four digits of your Social Security Number XXX-XX-1111

The information you provided will be used to check if you are eligible for the Affordable Connectivity Program (ACP).

By submitting this form, you agree to the National Verifier terms and conditions and consent that all information you are providing (including any information you may be providing on behalf of another member of your household) may be collected, used, shared, and retained for the purpose of applying for and/or receiving the Affordable Connectivity Program benefit.

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Check my eligibility

9 You'll find out right away if you qualify to get a benefit or if we need more information to see if you qualify.

What to do next to save your information and continue your application.

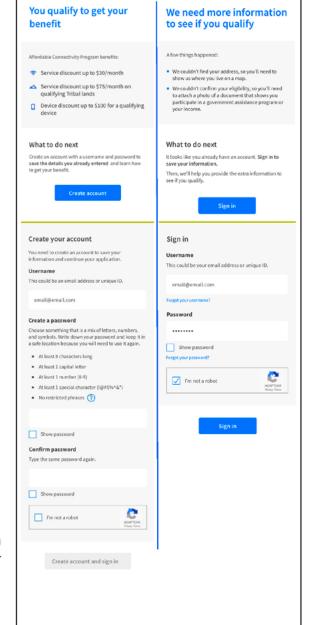
If you need to create an account

- Tap or click Create account.
- Type in a username. It can be an email address or a unique ID.
- Type in a password that is a mix of letters, numbers, and symbols.
- Type in the same password again.
- Tap or click the I'm not a robot checkbox.
- Tap or click Create account and sign in.

If you already have an account, sign in

- Tap or click Sign in.
- Type in your username.
- Type in your password.
- Type the same password again.
- Tap or click Sign in.

! If you need to leave and come back to complete this step later, you'll need to enter in your information again. We will send a reminder to the email you provided on your application.



10 Finish your application.

Did we ask you to provide additional information or documentation?

- Yes Go to the <u>Show You Qualify</u> section to continue your application.
- No Your last step is to review the certification statements.
 - Read the statements.
 - Type your first and last name to confirm you agree with the statements.
 - o Tap or click **Submit**.
 - Go to <u>step 11</u> to continue.

By signing your name below, you agree with the following statements:

Qualifications

For someone in my household currently gets benefits from a program that qualifies for the Affordable Connectivity Program, or my annual household income is 200% or less than the Federal Poverty Guidelines.

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Potential impact on your bill if program ends

I understand that the Affordable Connectivity Program is a federal government benefit that reduces my internet service bill, and my household will be subject to the internet company's undiscounted general rates, terms, and conditions if my household continues to subscribe to the service after the conclusion of the Affordable Connectivity Program.

How your information will be used

I agree that all of the information I provide on this form may be collected, used, shared, and retained by the Affordable Connectivity Program Administrator (Universal Service Administrative Company) for the purposes of applying for and/or receiving the Affordable Connectivity Program benefit.

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in order to confirm that I still qualify for the Affordable Connectivity Program benefit, Lunderstand that I have to respond to a recertification request by the deadline or I will be removed from the Affordable Connectivity Program and my benefit will stop.

I certify, under penalty of perjury, that all of the information provided on this form is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I know that willingly giving false or fraudulent information to get Affordable Connectivity Program benefits is punishable by fine and/or imprisonment under 18 U.S.C. \$1001 and can result in being barred from the Affordable Connectivity Program.

Your Signature

Type your name below

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I understand this is a digital signature, and this is the same as if I signed my name with a pen.

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- Contact a participating internet company to get your benefit.
 - Contact a participating internet company to start receiving your ACP benefit.
 - Sign up by the deadline or you will need to re-apply.
 - We will also send this information to the email you provided on your application.

Contact an internet company to get your benefit

You're approved to get your benefit. Sign up by June 26, 2023.

What to do next

If you already have internet

Contact your internet company and say, "I have been approved for the Affordable Connectivity Program and would like to apply it to my service." Then, give them the information below.

If you don't currently have internet

Find an internet company that can provide service to your address and say, "I have been approved for the Affordable Connectivity Program and would like to sign up for internet." Then, give them the information below.

Application ID:

B11111-BBBBB

Full legal name: Francine Tester

Address:

123 Main Street, TOWN, PA 11111

Method of identity verification:

Last 4 digits of SSN

We have sent this information to the email you provided on your application.

Do you live on Tribal lands?

Need to find an internet company near you?

Show You Qualify

You may need to provide additional information or documentation if we cannot confirm your eligibility, identity, or address. This section includes information on the steps you take to confirm your information if you encounter these questions in your online application. For more information, review our Acceptable Documentation Guide (available in English and Spanish).

Information or Documentation Needed **Online Application Overview** Confirm Your Address Confirm Your Location You may be asked to confirm your address by Show us that your address is locating where you live on the map. right. This is the information you gave us. • If you need to correct your address, tap or click fix it here. Address: 123 NOT REAL ROAD. TOWN, DC 12345 Show us where you live • To locate where you live, double click on the **How to Find Your Address** map, or use the (+) button to zoom in. o Tap or click the \pm icon to expand the How to Find Your Address section and view a short video. Tap or click on the pin once you have found your address on the map. Tap or click **Next**. Latitude Confirm Your Household Qualifies Confirm Your Household We need more information about your household. You may be asked to confirm that your household You have until 5/14/2023 to complete this section. If you qualifies for the Affordable Connectivity Program miss the deadline, you will need to submit a new benefit. (!) Only one monthly benefit is allowed per Do you share money (income and household. A household is a group of people expenses) with another adult who gets the Affordable Connectivity who live together and share money even if Program benefit? they are not related to each other. This can be the cost of bills, food, income, etc. If your spouse receives the Affordable Connectivity Program benefit, please answer "Yes" to this question. Answer the questions. O Yes O No Tap or click **Next**. Back

Confirm Your Identity

You may be asked to upload documents that confirm your identity information.

 If you need to correct your identity information, tap or click fix it here.

If you need to confirm your date of birth,

 Provide a copy of an unexpired official document, such as a driver's license, that has your first and last name and date of birth.

If you need to confirm your Social Security Number or Tribal ID*

- Provide a copy of an unexpired official document, such as a Social Security Card or Tribal ID, that includes your first and last name and the last 4 digits of your SSN or full Tribal ID.
 - *If you did not provide the last 4 digits of your Social Security Number or your Tribal ID on your application, verify your identity using another form of identification such as a driver's license, military ID, passport, taxpayer identification number (ITIN) document, or other government ID.
- Tap or click Choose File to attach a copy or photo of the document you will use to confirm your identity information.
- Tap or click Next.

Confirm Your Identity

We couldn't confirm your identity information.

This is the information you gave us.

Full Legal Name: Francine Tester
Date of Birth: January 1, 1990
Last 4 SSN: 1234

If you see a typo in your information, fix it here.

You have until **5/14/2023** to provide documentation to confirm your identity. If you miss this deadline, you will need to submit a new application.

Provide documentation that includes:

- Your first and last name
- Your date of birth
- * The last four digits of your SSN or Tribal ID number*

"If you did not provide the last four digits of your Social Security Number or Tribal ID number with your application, you must provide a Driver's License, Military ID, Passport, Taxpayer Identification Number (ITIN) Document, or other Government ID.

Show us one document:

Provide one document that includes your first and last name, date of birth, and last four digits of your SSN or full Tribal ID number.*

Document examples:

- U.S. government, military, state, or Tribal issued ID (unexpired)
- Military discharge documentation
- Weapons permit (unexpired)
- Government assistance program document (that includes proof of identity)
- Statement of benefits from a qualifying program (that includes proof of identity)
- Unemployment or worker's compensation statement of

Or show us two documents:

Provide two documents to confirm your first and last name, date of birth, and last four digits of your SSN or full Tribal ID number."

Show your date of birth

- Driver's license (unexpired)
- Birth certificate
- Passport (unexpired)
- Certificate of Naturalization (or Certificate of U.S. Citizenship)
- Permanent Resident Card (unexpired)

Show the last four digits of your SSN or full Tribal ID number

- Social Security card
- Social Security Benefit Statement (SSA-1099)
- W-2
- Prior year's state, federal, or Tribal tax return

Upload your documents

- You can use the following file types: .jpg, .jpeg, .png, .pdf, or .gif
- Make sure that your file is not too large. The size limit is 10MB.
- If you are using a phone, you can take a photo of your document and upload it.

Choose file

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Confirm You Qualify

You may also be asked to upload documents that confirm your eligibility (such as your income or participation in a government program).

- · Choose how you qualify.
- Tap or click Next.

If you qualify based on your household income

 Provide documentation, such as a prior year's state tax return, that includes your (or your dependent's) first and last name, your annual income, and an issue date within the last 12 months.

If you participate in one of the qualifying assistance programs

- Provide documentation, such as a benefit award letter or statement, that includes your (or your dependent's) first and last name, the name of the qualifying program (such as SNAP), the name of the government, Tribal entity, program administrator that issued the document, and an issue date within the last 12 months or a future expiration date.
 - If you participate in the Free and Reduced-Price School Lunch Program or School Breakfast Program, documents such as a letter from the school must be from the current school year or the school year immediately preceding the application.
 - For enrollment in a CEP school, documents must include the student's name, the relevant school year, the name and address of the school, and contact information (phone or email) for the school and show that the student is enrolled in a CEP school for the relevant school year. (The student must still be enrolled at the time of the application.)
 - For Federal Pell Grants, documents must be from the student's school or the Department of Education and must show that the student has received a Pell Grant for the current award year.
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- Tap or click Next.

We Could Not Confirm Your Eligibility

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If you think you may have entered any of your information (such as a name, date of birth, or address) incorrectly, or would like to add a child or dependent, fix it here.

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Document Requirements

Provide a document that includes

- Your name, or your dependent's name
- The name of the qualifying program, such as SNAP
- The name of the government, Tribal entity, or program administrator that issued the document
- An issue date within the last 12 months or expiration date (in the future)

Document examples

- Benefit award letter
- Statement of benefits
- Benefit verification letter
- Screenshot of online benefits portal

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After you submit your information or documentation, the final step is to certify and sign the application form.

- Read the statements.
- Type your first and last name to confirm you agree with the statements.
- Tap or click Submit.

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Francine Test

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Submit

You have submitted your application!

You will receive a message that says we are checking your documents.

After we review your documents, you will receive an email about the status of your application. You can also sign into your account to check the status of your application.

- If we cannot confirm your information based on the documentation you submitted, you will receive instructions on how to submit additional documentation.
- If your application is approved, you will receive a message that says you're approved and instructions for how to start receiving your benefit.

We Are Checking Your **Documents**

Thank you for submitting your information. Someone is looking at your documents to make sure you qualify.

This may take some time.

You will receive an email when your documents have been

Your status will also be updated in the system when your documents have been reviewed. Please check back later to see if you qualify for the Affordable Connectivity Benefit.

This page will be available to be refreshed until 5/14/2023. If you need to leave and sign back in later, you can see your application status on your home page.

If you qualify...

You will have 90 days to find a company and sign up for service. If you do not qualify...

We'll ask you for more information or tell you what to do next. You will have until 5/14/2023 (Based on US Eastern Time) to send us the information or complete the next steps.

Full Legal Name: Francine Tester

Address: 123 Main Street, TOWN, PA 11111

Application ID: B11111-AAAAA