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# NEXTLINK & DIGITAL RESOURCES

Enabling you to navigate the digital world with confidence.

# Learning Resources from Microsoft

Technology can play a powerful role in helping people connect, learn, engage with their community, and create more promising futures. We've partnered with Microsoft to bring broadband service to our community via the Microsoft Airband Initiative and to give you access to curated learning resources. These resources can help you build the technology skills needed to participate in today's digital economy.

#### **Build your digital skills**

Digital literacy are the foundational skills needed to understand and safely use digital devices, software, and the internet.

• Access the Digital Literacy course

Get a free one-month trial of Office 365 and learn how to create and collaborate with productivity tools like Word, Excel, and PowerPoint.

• Start with six easy steps

#### Participate safely online

Get tips for protecting your privacy, using the internet safely and combating online bullying and harassment.

Learn more

#### Learn how to code - youth focus

Gain hands-on experience coding with Minecraft Hour of Code tutorials.

• Get started with Minecraft Hour of Code Tutorials

Use Microsoft MakeCode tutorials to learn game development and computer science concepts.

• Try Microsoft MakeCode

## **Build Skills for In-demand Tech Jobs**

To access newly available tools and resources, job seekers can visit opportunity.linkedin.com to begin pursuing in-demand technology skills for free across LinkedIn, Microsoft Learn and GitHub.

### Sharpen your technical skills

Whether you're just starting or an experienced tech professional, these technical hands-on learning modules can help you arrive at your goals faster, with more confidence and at your own pace.

• Get started

Learn how Microsoft is working with partners like Nextlink to close the opportunity gap.

Learn more

## **Regional Resources**



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**4-H Tech Changemakers** 

4-H Tech Changemakers Empowering young people to close the digital divide in their communities. About » 4-H at Home » 4-H Tech Changemakers About 4-H Tech Changemakers Over 24 million people in the U.S. lack high-speed internet access, and many more don't have the skills needed to take full advantage of online resources.

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## Devices



PCs for People



Click the Enroll In ACP button to apply for the Affordable Connectivity Program with Nextlink Internet.

Enroll in ACP

If you are currently enrolled in the EBBP, there will be a 60-Day transition period to the ACP from December 31st 2021, through March 1st 2022. We will provide you with more information regarding eligibility requirements and other program changes as they become available from the FCC and USAC.



The Emergency Broadband Benefit Program (EBBP) was established as a temporary solution to help qualifying Americans afford internet service during the COVID-19 pandemic. In accordance with the recent changes made by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC,) the EBBP will cease to accept submissions on December 30th, 2021 and begin the transition to the Affordable Connectivity Program (ACP.)

Congress recently created the ACP, a new, long-term \$14 billion program that will replace the Emergency Broadband Benefit Program (EBB Program). Households enrolled in the EBB Program as of December 31, 2021 will continue to receive their current monthly benefit during a 60-day transition period.

See where Nextlink service is available.

#### **Frequently Asked Questions**

#### What is the Affordable Connectivity Program?

Congress recently created the Affordable Connectivity Program, a long-term, \$14 billion program, which will replace the Emergency Broadband Benefit Program. This investment in broadband affordability will help ensure we can afford the internet connections we need for work, school, health care and more for a long time. The FCC is seeking comment on the changes enacted in the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act and will be adopting rules for the Affordable Connectivity Program. Please stay tuned for additional updates.

The benefit will provide a discount of up to \$30 per month toward internet service for eligible households and up to \$75 per month for households on qualifying Tribal lands. Eligible households can also receive a one-time discount to purchase a laptop or desktop computer from participating providers.

The Affordable Connectivity Program is limited to one monthly service discount and one device discount per household

https://www.fcc.gov/acp

About the Affordable Connectivity Program

Who Is Eligible for the Affordable Connectivity Program?

If the plan I choose is more than \$30, do I pay the extra myself?

What types of devices are offered for \$50?

Can I apply if I have a past due balance with Nextlink?

I am an existing Nextlink customer, can I apply?

Can multiple people that are part of the same household receiv the discount and/or device?

How long will the ACP last?

Can I continue to receive Internet service when the ACP program ends?

Where and when do I apply?

What documentation and information do I need to qualify?

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