

## Digital Inclusion Plan

Vistabeam will work with community leaders and decision makers to encourage broadband adoption and provide affordable options for all members of the community served. Community leaders that we will consult with include:

- County Commissioners
- Village Officials
- Local business owners

This project will provide fast, reliable fiber based broadband that will be able to handle telehealth, remote working and remote teaching applications. All of these needs have been exacerbated by the Covid emergency and have been show to work well with fiber broadband networks.

Vistabeam has several programs and plans in place to ensure access to broadband for all members of a community, including:

- Lifeline Broadband Program: \$9.25/month discount on Internet Service for qualifying individuals.

  More information at <a href="https://vistabeam.com/lifeline">https://vistabeam.com/lifeline</a>
- Affordable Connectivity Program: \$30/month discount on broadband service and associated equipment rentals. More information at <a href="http://vistabeam.com/acp">http://vistabeam.com/acp</a>

Vistabeam broadband packages do not have usage caps.

Vistabeam will offer a fiber only 100/100 Mbps plan priced at \$49.95 for applicants that qualify for the Affordable Connectivity Program.

As part of the Affordable Connectivity Program, Vistabeam can also offer a one-time discount of \$100 for a laptop, tablet or desktop computer, with a co-payment of more than \$10 but less than \$50. More information at <a href="http://vistabeam.com/acp">http://vistabeam.com/acp</a>

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Vistabeam is also a Microsoft Airband Partner and offers the following skills to promote upskilling and employability:

- Digital skills training and other virtual learning programs for all our customers. More information at <a href="https://vistabeam.com/digiskills">https://vistabeam.com/digiskills</a>
- A toll-free number/hotline via PCs for People for all our customers to call if they have any technical questions. More information at <a href="https://vistabeam.com/digiskills">https://vistabeam.com/digiskills</a>

Vistabeam has already discussed the benefits and timelines for this fiber project with Morrill County Commissioners and several Bayard residents that have contacted us regarding our ability to provide service in that area. Letters of Support are included in our supplementary documentation.