

EMERGENCY BROADBAND BENEFIT NEWS RELEASE

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05/07/2021 Today, tres canicas design announce that it has partnered and is working to help build consumer awareness about the Emergency Broadband Benefit (EBB), a new Federal Communications Commission (FCC) program. The temporary benefit will help to lower the cost of broadband service for eligible households during the on-going COVID-19 pandemic.

tres canicas design has launched <u>www.isprelieffunds.org</u> and the Internet Service Provider Relief Funds (ISPRF) community outreach marketing and digital solutions campaign. Along with the resources at the FCC, <u>www.isprelieffunds.org</u> and the ISPRF campaign aims to provide a central resource hub for the EBB program, EBB program launch, EBB program wrap-up, and EBB program overall awareness.

The \$3.2B Emergency Broadband Benefit program provides a discount of up to a \$50 per month toward broadband service for eligible households and up to \$75 per month for qualifying households on qualifying Tribal lands. The benefit also provides up to a \$100 per household discount toward a one-time purchase of a computer, laptop, or tablet if the household contributes more than \$10 and less than \$50 toward the purchase through a participating broadband provider.

A household is eligible if one member of the household meets at least *one* of the criteria below:

- Has an income that is at or below 135% of the <u>Federal Poverty Guidelines</u> or participates in certain assistance programs, such as SNAP, Medicaid or the FCC's <u>Lifeline</u> program;
- Approved to receive benefits under the free and reduced-price school lunch program or the school breakfast program, including through the USDA Community Eligibility Provision, in the 2019-2020 or 2020-2021 school year;
- Received a Federal Pell Grant during the current award year;
- Experienced a substantial loss of income through job loss or furlough since February 29, 2020 and the household had a total income in 2020 at or below \$99,000 for single filers and \$198,000 for joint filers; or
- Meets the eligibility criteria for a participating provider's existing low-income or COVID-19 program.

Emergency Broadband Benefit enrollment will begin (opened) on May 12, 2021. Eligible households can enroll through a <u>participating broadband provider</u> or directly with the <u>Universal Service Administrative</u> <u>Company (USAC)</u> using an online or mail-in application. Additional information about the Emergency Broadband Benefit is available at <u>www.fcc.gov/broadbandbenefit</u>, or by calling 833-511-0311 between 9 a.m. and 9 p.m. any day of the week.



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