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### **Affordable Connectivity Could be Right at your Fingertips**

**Santa Fe, NM** - Today, Wednesday, June 21st, wraps up the Affordable Connectivity Program week, but applications are still open for the program.

In collaboration with Internet For All, the Office of Broadband Access and Expansion (OBAE) is working to spread the word to all New Mexicans, as only 50% of those who qualify have enrolled in the program. The Affordable Connectivity Program aims to provide affordable internet access to low-income households and vulnerable communities that face connectivity barriers. Through this program, eligible households have the opportunity to access high-speed internet services at reduced rates, empowering them to fully participate in the digital economy.

You may qualify if you receive SNAP, WIC, housing assistance, live on qualifying tribal lands, or have a family of four with an income under \$55,000. To determine your eligibility, please visit [FCC.gov/acp](https://www.fcc.gov/acp).

Kelly Schlegel, the Director for the Office of Broadband Access and Expansion, expressed enthusiasm about the program, stating, "The Affordable Connectivity Program is a significant milestone in our commitment to achieving universal broadband access. By ensuring that cost is not a barrier to internet connectivity, we are taking a giant leap towards creating a more equitable and inclusive society."

In addition to providing affordable internet access, the ACP also supports digital literacy training initiatives to empower individuals with the skills and knowledge necessary to maximize the benefits of the internet. By promoting digital literacy, the program aims to advance digital equity and bridge the knowledge gap that often accompanies the digital divide.

For more information about the Affordable Connectivity Program and its eligibility criteria, please visit [Affordable Connectivity Program | Federal Communications Commission \(fcc.gov\)](#)

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