

5. EXCHANGE SERVICES

5.2 LOCAL EXCHANGE SERVICE

5.2.6 TELEPHONE ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS

A. Washington Telephone Assistance Program (WTAP) (Cont'd)

3. Monthly Credit

	CREDIT USOC	CREDIT AMOUNT[2]	
• Federal credit	[1]	\$9.25	
• State credit[3]	ASGSX	2.05 (R)	(T)

B. Tribal Lifeline

1. Description

Tribal Lifeline provides additional lifeline support of up to \$25.00, in addition to the baseline Federal Lifeline support for qualifying low-income individuals living on tribal lands which includes reservation as defined by the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) regulations.

2. Eligibility Requirements

- a. Tribal Lifeline support is provided to applicants who meet the eligibility requirements established within the guidelines of the Washington Telephone Assistance Program described in 5.2.6.A.
- b. In order to qualify for the Tribal Lifeline/Link-Up programs, the applicant must live on Tribal Lands/Reservations and be participating in one of the following programs updated by the FCC, effective June 1, 2012:

[1] On an interim basis, until billing system changes can be implemented, the \$9.25 federal credit will be administered through the existing ASGFX (\$**5.80**) and ASGF2 (\$**3.45**) USOC credits. (C)
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[2] The \$8.00 monthly recurring charge for WTAP subscribers is calculated by adding the 1FR rate (\$13.50) plus the subscriber line charge (\$**5.80**) together and then subtracting the combined federal credit (ASGFX \$**5.80** + ASGF2 \$**3.45** = \$9.25) and state credits (ASGSX \$**2.05**). For example: (\$13.50 + \$**5.80** = \$**19.30** - \$**11.30** = \$8.00.). (C)
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[3] Credit rates effective **October 1, 2013**. (C)

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- b. Tribal Lifeline benefits apply to the primary flat local residential access line, including Extended Area Service (EAS), mileage charges, zone charges, or other non-discretionary charges associated with basic residential service. The benefit may not bring the basic local residential access line rate below \$1.00 per month.
- c. A customer is not eligible for Lifeline from the Company if he/she is currently receiving Lifeline credit for service provided by another Eligible Telecommunications Carrier. The program is limited to one federal benefit per household which includes both wireline and wireless service.

4. Monthly Credit[1]

	CREDIT USOC	CREDIT AMOUNT	
• Federal credit	[1]	\$9.25	
• Flat individual line (1FR)[2,3]	ASGFT	9.05 (R)	(T)

- [1] On an interim basis, until billing system changes can be implemented, the \$9.25 federal credit will be administered through the existing ASGFX (**\$5.80**) and ASGF2 (**\$3.45**) USOC credits. The ASGFR and ASGF2 credits from the Lifeline Assistance Program totaling \$9.25 apply in addition to the Tribal Lifeline credit. The Tribal Lifeline Credit is up to \$25.00, but no more than necessary to reduce the Tribal Lifeline rate to \$1.00. (C)
- [2] The credit amount is calculated by adding the 1FR rate of \$13.50 plus the **\$5.80** subscriber line charge together. An ASGFR and ASGF2 credit of \$9.25 is subtracted from the total and the remaining difference less \$1.00 which is the minimum Tribal Lifeline rate allowed, is the credit amount. For example: (\$13.50 + **\$5.80** = **\$19.30** - \$9.25 = **\$10.05** - \$1.00) = **\$9.05** credit. (C)
- [3] Credit rates effective **October 1, 2013**. (C)

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