

Free/Low Cost Tech Products

- <https://www.pcsforpeople.org/>
- <https://www.freegeektwincities.org/>

Free/Low Cost Cell Phones and Service

- <https://www.entouchwireless.com/states/minnesota-lifeline-free-phone-service>
- <https://www.allconnect.com/blog/low-income-internet-guide>

Providers with reduced costs for people with low incomes (MA is one of the qualifiers):

- AT&T – Up to 10 Mbps for \$5/mo. or \$10/mo.*
- Cox – Up to 15 Mbps for \$9.95/mo.*
- Mediacom – Up to 10 Mbps for \$9.95/mo.*
- Spectrum – Up to 30 Mbps for \$14.99/mo.*
- Xfinity – Up to 15 Mbps for \$9.95/mo.*

Free/Low Cost Wi-Fi & Internet Resources

- <https://minnesota.cbslocal.com/2020/03/18/coronavirus-in-minnesota-free-wifi-hotspots-in-minneapolis/>
- <https://www.startribune.com/usinternet-comcast-make-free-wi-fi-available/569104352/>
- <https://www.wifimap.io/3005-minneapolis-free-wifi/map>

- <https://www.allconnect.com/blog/low-income-internet-guide>
- <https://www.fcc.gov/consumers/guides/lifeline-support-affordable-communications>
- <https://www.highspeedinternet.com/resources/internet-guide-during-coronavirus-outbreak>
- <https://www.internetessentials.com/> - **Comcast** (serves the metro area)– People may qualify for support if they are eligible for public assistance programs such as: If a document should be submitted for your application, please provide one (1) document from the list below:
 - MEDICAID: card or most recent eligibility letter for any member of your household.
 - Public housing assistance documentation such as your lease, housing assistance payment (HAP) contract, or eligibility documentation from HUD.
 - SNAP: letter indicating you are approved for Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program benefits.
 - TANF: eligibility letter for Temporary Assistance for Needy Families.
 - SSI: eligibility letter for Supplemental Security Income.
 - NSLP/Head Start: copy of a letter indicating current participation in the National School Lunch Program or Head Start, with your child's name, the school name, and the address of where you are requesting service.

- LIHEAP: letter confirming your eligibility for Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program.
- WIC: eligibility letter for the Women, Infants, and Children program.
- FEDERAL PELL GRANT: (Colorado and Illinois only) documentation from your community college's financial aid office.
- VA PENSION: veterans pension eligibility determination letter from the Veterans Administration.
- Tribal assistance eligibility letter, including TTANF, FDPIR, etc.
- Due to COVID, new customers will get 2 free months of Internet service if they apply for June 30th. After the promotion, regular rates apply. \$9.95/mo
- <https://www.pcsforpeople.org/low-cost-internet/>
 - \$15/month plus the cost of the mobile hotspot. Statewide Program: laptops or computers for those at a reduced cost. Sue noted that technology is old – can't update and connect to remote services. It is good for simple things like checking email or surf the web but that's it. They also have a reduced cost for internet services. \$15/mo MiFi 3 or 6 mo. minimum. MiFi's don't typically work for environmental controls. 4GLTE.

- **Charter** – Beginning on 3/16, K-12, College students and teachers can get free broadband and wi-fi access for 60 days. Now, there is no end date but it can change any day. Customers must be new and should ask for this, it will not be mentioned/offered unless a person asks. They are also offering additional extension times to pay their past due bills, but a customer must call and they offer no financial supports.