

Client Advisory

To: ITCI Clients
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Subject: 2026 National Poverty Levels- 135% Federal Level

One of the qualifiers for **Lifeline Program** Eligibility is income at or below 135% of the national poverty level. The 2026 poverty limits are listed below. Please update your lifeline materials to reflect the 2026 limits. Attached are the updated USAC Lifeline forms.

To verify whether the customer qualifies under these criteria, they must supply one of the following documents proving their income level:

- Prior year's federal or state or Tribal income tax return
- Current Income Statement from an employer or paycheck stub (3 consecutive months within the previous 12 months)
- Social security statement of benefits
- Veteran's Administration statement of benefits
- Retirement or pension statement of benefits
- Unemployment or worker's compensation statement of benefits
- Letter of participation in general assistance
- Divorce decree or child support documentation

2026 FEDERAL POVERTY LEVELS – for 48 Contiguous States – Alaska and Hawaii available upon request

Number of People Living in the Home	Household Income (at or Below 135%)
1	\$21,546
2	\$29,214
3	\$36,882
4	\$44,550
5	\$52,218
6	\$59,886
7	\$67,554
8	\$75,222
*For each Additional Person	\$7,668

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