



Senior Legal Hotline

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You May Be Eligible for Reduced-Cost Phone Service

Universal Lifeline Telephone Service (ULTS), also known as “California Lifeline,” provides discounted local phone service to low-income Californians.

You qualify automatically for California Lifeline if you or another person in your household is enrolled in any of the following public-assistance programs: Medi-Cal, SSI, food stamps, Healthy Families Category A, TANF, WIC, LIHEAP, Federal Public Housing Assistance (Section 8), free school lunch program, Bureau of Indian Affairs general assistance.

Even if you are not enrolled in any of the above programs, you may also qualify if your total before-tax, annual household income does not exceed these limits:

Household size	Income	
1-2 members	\$22,000	– for each additional member,
3 members	\$25,900	add \$5,300
4 members	\$31,200	

To sign up for California Lifeline, contact your current telephone provider or a local telephone company that could provide you with service if you do not already have a phone line. Ask to apply for California Lifeline. For additional information on line, visit:

http://www.consumeraction.org/modules/module_california_lifeline

You can also call Senior Legal Hotline for more details on eligibility for ULTS and its benefits, including the types of services for which discounts may be provided.

SLH can provide written information about this program in English, Spanish, Chinese, Korean or Vietnamese. With help from interpreters we can help callers in other languages too.

If you are over 60 in California, you can get free advice by phone from the Senior Legal Hotline regarding your questions about ULTS – and about almost any legal issue. Call (916) 551-2140 in Sacramento or (800) 222-1753 toll-free in California, Mon.-Fri. 9 to 12 and 1 to 4, until 7 p.m. on Thursdays. Or submit your question by e-mail from our web site, www.seniorlegalhotline.org.