

# Cox Affordable Internet Programs

**Community Partner Guide** 

Cox has been dedicated to helping make internet accessible for students, families, and everyone in our community since 2012.

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# **Programs Overview**

Welcome! Cox Communications is proud to partner with you to close the digital divide by providing reliable, low-cost internet to ensure a brighter, more inclusive future with increased access to education, employment, healthcare and more.

Cox Affordable Internet Programs				
	Connect2Compete	ConnectAssist	StraightUp Internet	
Who's it For	Families with children in grades K-12 who receive government assistance  *No contract, no credit check, no deposit	Low-income individuals             (no kids at home)             receiving government             assistance <b>OR</b> household             income below 200% of             federal poverty guidelines             *No contract, no credit             check, no deposit	For customers who wish to prepay for services on a month-to-month basis (i.e., credit, ID or income challenged)  *No contract, no credit check, no deposit	
Internet Speed: 100 Mbps download/ 5 Mbps upload	Live stream classes, collaborate on group projects, upload homework assignments	Work from home, video conferencing, email, send and receive large files	Multiple devices streaming content at the same time, supports 4K video	
Billed by Cox	\$9.95/month Includes modem rental and taxes	\$30/month Includes modem rental and taxes	\$50/month Includes free modem to keep	
Installation	Free EasyConnect <b>OR</b> ProConnect (if needed)	Free EasyConnect <b>OR</b> ProConnect (if needed)	Free EasyConnect	
Learn more	cox.com/c2c	cox.com/connectassist	cox.com/straightup	

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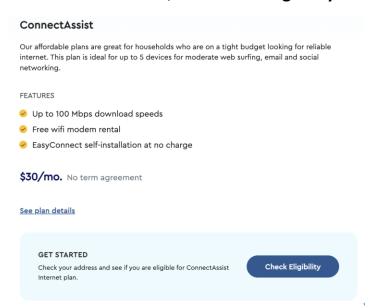
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# ConnectAssist Enrollment Process

**STEP 1:** Visit cox.com/connectassist. Under the ConnectAssist section, click **Check Eligibility.** 



**STEP 2:** Enter the customer's service address and click **Continue**.

**STEP 3:** Select the **ConnectAssist Modem** option under "Choose your equipment". Click **Continue to Profile**.

**STEP 4:** Complete the customer's profile including name, phone number, and a valid email address.

**STEP 5:** Confirm program eligibility:

√ Choose the applicable program

**STEP 6:** Click **Continue to Verify Identity.** (if prequalified\*)

**STEP 7:** Verify identity using SSN **OR** Date of Birth. Click **Submit**.

Note, if customer has not lived at current address for more than 6 months, they'll enter their previous address.

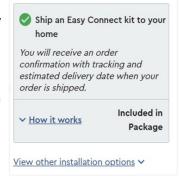
STEP 8: Confirm Installation, Click Continue

### to Review & Pay.

 EasyConnect is automatically selected. Confirm shipping address.

### OR

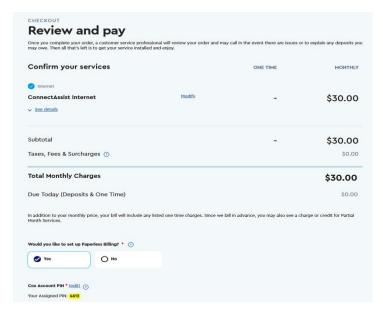
✓ Click "View other installation options" link to select ProConnect (at no charge).



Note, if the account holder ceases to use Cox for internet service or moves, the router/modem will need to be returned to Cox by mail or to a Cox retail store.

# **STEP 9:** Review order information. Click **Finish and Place Order**.

- ✓ Enroll in Paperless Billing, if desired
- ✓ Write down the Cox PIN



### Success!

Customer should expect to receive their EasyConnect self-install kit within 2-3 days.

# Documentation for Eligibility

### **ConnectAssist Eligibility**

During the enrollment process, an individual may be asked to provide proof of their eligibility. Our team will review the documentation.

### **Additional Tips**

- > Our team looks for confirmation of active benefits.
- Our team looks for the address of the benefits recipient to match the service address of the account holder; the beneficiary does not have to be the account holder.
- Our team will accept screenshots of official portal information.
- Our team will not accept emails or screenshots of emails.

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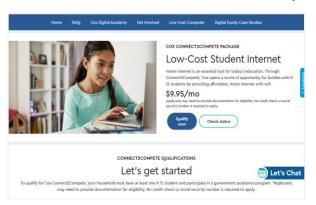
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# Connect2Compete: New Customers

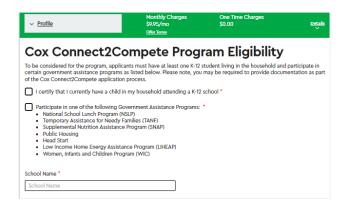
### **STEP 1:** Visit cox.com/c2c. Click **Qualify Now**.



**STEP 2:** Enter the customer's home address to verify service availability. Click **Continue**.

**STEP 3:** Enter the customer's personal information, must include a valid email address.

**STEP 4:** Verify eligibility and enter name of child's school. Click **Continue to Verify Identity**.



**STEP 5:** Prepare eligibility documentation\*. (Photos of documents are acceptable.)

## Proof of K-12 School Enrollment:

- ✓ Report card
- ✓ Letter from school showing enrollment
- ✓ Confirmation of child's enrollment in National School Lunch Program
- ✓ Proof of homeschooling authorized by school, school district, or state

# Proof of Enrollment in a Government Assistance Program:

- ✓ Confirmation of child's enrollment in National School Lunch Program
- ✓ Proof of residency in Public Housing
- ✓ Proof of enrollment in SNAP, TANF, Head Start, or WIC

\* If pregualified, don't need to upload documentation

**STEP 6:** Verify identity using SSN **or** Date of Birth. Click **Submit**.

Note, if customer has not lived at current address for more than 6 months, they'll enter their previous address.

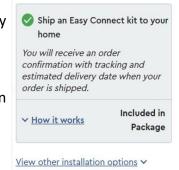
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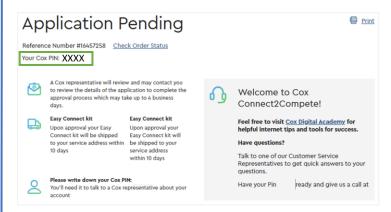
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# **STEP 8:** Review Pending Application. Click **Finish and Submit Application**.

If automatically approved:

- ✓ Review and confirm order details
- ✓ Write down the Cox PIN



### If NOT automatically approved:

- ✓ Write down the Cox PIN
- ✓ Select secret question and answer
  - If customer forgets pin, they can use secret question and answer to access account
- ✓ Enroll in Paperless Billing, if desired
- Upload additional documentation by selecting
   Complete your Document.
  - ✓ Complete the DocuSign process

### Success!

Customer should expect to receive their EasyConnect self-install kit within 2-3 days.

# Documentation for Eligibility

### **Connect2Compete Eligibility**

Proof of eligibility is required during the enrollment process. Participants must provide proof of a child in grade K-12 in the home <u>and</u> government assistance by uploading documentation, which our team will review.

The **BEST OPTION** is to provide your National School Lunch Program qualification letter or Notification of Eligibility letter from your Local Educational Agency. It must show:

- > First and Last Name must match Benefit Qualifying Person's name
- > Parent name, if shown, must match your name
- Date the document was issued or future expiration date

[Special note: Medicaid is not a qualifying program for Connect2Compete.]

### **Additional Tips**

- Our team will accept screenshots of official portal information or PDFs/photos of official documents.
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# Marketing Collateral [English]

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### We can help.

You qualify with one of these:

Federal Pell Grant

Federal Lifeline

Federal Public Housing Assistance

Medicaid or SNAP

Veterans Pension & Survivors Benefits SSI (Supplemental Security Income)

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You can also qualify with your household income.

Household members	Income
1	\$30,120
2	\$40,880
3	\$51,640
4	\$62,400

You may need documents that show government program participation.

You could qualify for internet as low as \$30/mo.



Scan here to save

### ConnectAssist puts a world of opportunities in your hands

### **ConnectAssist Benefits**

- Fast, reliable download speeds, up to 100 Mbps
- Great for up to 5 devices surfing, streaming, online learning and working
- Includes a free Cox Wifi modem rental
- Access to 4M+ wifi hotspots nationwide
- No credit check, no deposit, no contract, no late fees
- Price guarantee \$30/mo. when you qualify

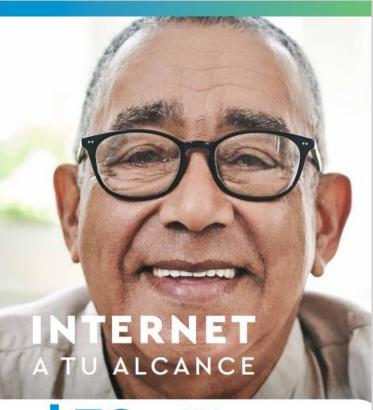






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# Marketing Collateral [Spanish]



\$30<sub>al mes</sub>



Si tú o tu familia participa en un programa del gobierno, podrías calificar para ConnectAssist.

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### Podemos ayudarte.

Puedes calificar con una de estas opciones:

Beca Federal Pell

Programa Federal Lifeline

Asistencia federal para vivienda pública Medicaid o SNAP

Pensiones de Veteranos y Supervivientes SSI (Seguridad de Ingreso Suplementario) También puedes calificar

\$51,640

\$62,400

con tus ingresos familiares.

Miembros del hogar Ingresos
1 \$30,120

Puede que necesites documentos que muestren

Podrías calificar para internet por tan solo \$30 al mes.



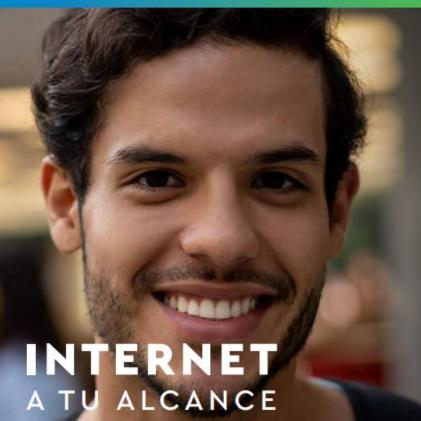
Escanea aquí para ahorrar cox.com/ConnectAssist

ConnectAssist® pone un mundo de oportunidades en tus manos

### Beneficios de ConnectAssist

- Velocidades de descarga rápidas y confiables; hasta 100 Mbps
- Perfecto para navegar por internet y hacer streaming, trabajar desde casa y aprender online en hasta 5 equipos
- Incluye el alquiler del módem de wifi de Cox
- Acceso a más de 4 millones de hotspots en todo el país
- · Sin verificación de crédito, sin depósito, sin contrato
- Precio garantizado \$30 al mes cuando calificas







### **Low-Cost Desktop Computers and Laptops**

Cox has partnered with PCs for People, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization, to promote digital equity & inclusion. Specializing in refurbished laptop and desktop computers, internet solutions and tech accessories, PCs for People provides affordable, high-quality technology at unbeatable prices for customers who meet the income guidelines.

### Sample Inventory



DELL OPTIPLEX 5040 SFF I5
6500 DESKTOP FULL SET

\$125.00



DELL OPTIPLEX 7060 I5 8500T MICRO DESKTOP FULL SET

\$150.00



HP ELITEDESK 800 G4 DM 35W I5 8500T MINI DESKTOP FULL SET - WINDOWS 11

\$150.00



DELL LATITUDE 5480 I5 6300U

\$125.00



DELL LATITUDE 5590 I5 8250U

UPGRADED HP ELITEBOOK 840 G3 I7 6600U

\$185.00

### pcsforpeople.org

\$175.00

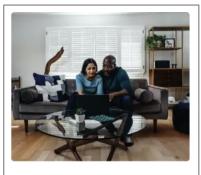
Due to extremely high demand and limited inventory, we encourage customers to check the website frequently. PCs for People adds inventory to their online store daily.

### cox.com/DigitalAcademy

### Powering families with digital literacy training

A place for families, educators, community leaders and students to access information regarding computer literacy tips, educational videos, tutorials and games.

A sample of the many helpful resources available:



# Parents' ultimate guide to parental controls

Do you need parental controls?
What are the options? Do they really work? Here's everything you need to know about the wide array of parental control solutions, from OS settings to monitoring apps to network hardware.



### 5 Surefire ways to protect your online privacy

Today's kids spend lots of time posting and sharing information online. Learn five surefire ways to protect their privacy.

Watch now >



# 5 tips to help kids catch up in school

If you notice your kid is having trouble or falling behind with schoolwork, it's time to take action. Check out these five simple tips parents can use to help their kids catch up in school.



### Microsoft digital literacy

Digital literacy are the foundational skills needed to understand and safely use digital devices, software, and the internet.

Get started >



### Microsoft 365 training

Learn how to create and collaborate with productivity tools like Word,
Excel, and PowerPoint.

Get started >



# 30 cool things kids can learn online (for free)

Links, videos, and instructions for really fun family projects.

Read now >

**Course Modules:** Work with Computers, Communicate Online, Create Digital Content, Access Information Online, Participate Safely and Responsibly Online, Collaborate and Manage Content Digitally.

After completing each module, learners will receive a Digital Literacy Certificate of Completion.

# Appendix Additional Resources

# Program Details & Eligibility

### Connect2Compete

Connect2Compete Internet from Cox opens a world of opportunity for families by providing low-cost home internet with wifi to families with children. This plan is ideal for moderate web surfing, email, streaming video, gaming, video conferencing, and online homework for students.

\$9.95 per

per month

### **Features**

- Up to 100 Mbps download speeds / 5 Mbps upload
- 1.25 TB of data per month, unused data does not roll over, no data overage fees
- Free wifi modem rental (new or refurbished gateway)
- · Access over 4 million wifi hotspots nationwide
- Free EasyConnect self-installation
- No term agreement
- No credit checks or deposit required

### Eligibility

- ✓ Must have a child in K-12 at home
- ✓ Must participate in one of the following government subsidy programs: National School Lunch, SNAP, TANF, Head Start, WIC, Public Housing

### ConnectAssist

Our affordable plans are great for households who are on a tight budget looking for reliable internet to help them stay connected to work, school, friends and family. This plan is ideal for moderate web surfing, email, streaming video, gaming, video conferencing, and online homework for students.

\$30 per month

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- No late fees

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# Program Details & Eligibility

### StraightUp Internet

Prepaid internet is where you pay for the internet service before you use it. With Straig Internet, customers prepay for 1 month at a time - \$50 flat fee – and a modem and taxes included. The fixed monthly rate that is guaranteed to remain consistent for three years.

\$50 per month

Prepaid internet is similar to prepaid calling cards or cell phones.

Customers can have their plans automatically renewed each month by enrolling in EasyPay on cox.com.

### **Features**

- Up to 100 Mbps download speeds / 5 Mbps upload
- 1.25 TB of data per month, unused data does not roll over, no data overage fees
- Free wifi modem to keep (new or refurbished gateway)
- Access over 4 million wifi hotspots nationwide
- Free EasyConnect self-installation
- · No term agreement
- · No credit checks or deposit required
- No returned payment fees

### **Eligibility**

✓ Household must have a valid address in our service area

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