

# Healthy Aging Martha's Vineyard Affordable Internet Pilot Program

## What is it?

A program from the Federal Government and Xfinity to provide affordable internet to qualifying islanders 60 years and older.

#### 2-Step Process

- Apply for Affordable Connectivity Program (ACP), a Federal Govt program that helps ensure households can afford the broadband they need for work, recreation, healthcare and more. The benefit provides a discount of up to \$30/month toward internet service for eligible households and up to \$75/month for Tribal land households.
- Contact Xfinity at 1-855-846-8376 to sign up for Internet Service and/or apply the ACP benefit to your bill.



## Who is Eligible?

A household is eligible for the Affordable Connectivity Program if the household income is at or below 200% of the Federal Poverty Guidelines, or if a member of the household meets at least one of the criteria listed here: <u>https://www.fcc.gov/acp</u>

#### **Frequently Asked Questions**

- Is this easy? Sometimes. It depends on a number of factors including whether you already have Xfinity Internet and easy access to your income tax return.
- How long does it take? Several weeks, but it's worth it for up to \$360 savings/year for most applicants.
- Do I have to install hardware myself? If you don't have Xfinity Internet Service, hardware will be sent to your home, and then you can call Xfinity for installation assistance.

#### Where do I start?

Request an appointment through your local
Library or Council on Aging (COA)

Town	Library	COA
Aquinnah	508-645-2314	
Chilmark	508-645-3360	508-693-2896
West Tisbury	508-693-3366	
Edgartown	508-627-4221	508-627-4386
Oak Bluffs	508-693-9433	508-693-4509
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Tisbury	508-696-4211	508-696-4205

