

## VPS Consulting Memo

# FCC Pauses Voice Lifeline Phase-out and Mobile Broadband Data Capacity Increase Again

The FCC released an [Order](#) on July 1, 2022, hitting the pause button on (1) the support phase-out of Lifeline voice services, and (2) the data capacity increase for mobile broadband for an additional year. Therefore, the basic lifeline benefit will remain at \$5.25 for eligible voice-only service and the minimum service standard for mobile broadband data capacity will remain at 4.5 GB per month until at least December 31, 2023.

### Lifeline Benefit Chart as of December 1, 2021

NLAD Service Type	Service Description	Standard Lifeline	Enhanced Tribal (in addition to Standard Lifeline)
Standard Voice Only	Subscriber receives voice only service	\$5.25	\$25.00
Bundled Voice	Subscriber receives voice service and non-qualifying broadband service		
Broadband	Subscriber receives qualifying broadband service	\$9.25	\$25.00
Bundled Broadband	Subscriber receives qualifying broadband service and voice service		

*Note: To receive monthly benefit, subscriber must be enrolled in the NLAD system on the last day of the month.*

## Additional Information

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