VERMONT TEMPORARY BROADBAND SUBSIDY PROGRAM

The Temporary Broadband Subsidy Program provides eligible Vermont households with a credit to assist with Internet service subscriptions. Residential account holders who have suffered an economic hardship due to COVID-19 and require high-speed Internet services for a qualifying need may receive a temporary credit of up to \$40 per month toward an Internet service subscription. Applicants

must attest to needing an Internet subscription for remote work, distance learning or telehealth services.

Payments under the program can be applied retroactively to March 1 (for alreadyestablished accounts), through December 20, First step is to register at: https://vermont.force.com/ economicrecovery/s/dpsregister?covid=false

2020. You must apply before November 30, 2020. Grants will be awarded on a first come, first served basis until funding runs out or the program ends in December.

- You'll need to provide the account number, service address and the account holder's name in order to apply.
- You'll also need to have a copy of the bill AND upload a copy of the bill in the online application.
- Once you complete your application, check your email inbox (and junk mail) for your user login and password so you can keep track of your application going forward. Keep in mind this may take several minutes.

After you've registered, you can log back in at: <u>https://vermont.force.com/e</u> <u>conomicrecovery/s/login/?e</u> <u>c=302&startURL=%2Fecono</u> <u>micrecovery%2Fs%2F</u> Funds for this program were made available from the federal CARES Act and made available through the State of Vermont Coronavirus Relief Fund.

Questions? Call your Internet service provider for more information or the Department of Public Service at 800-622-4496 or email psd.consumer@vermont.gov.