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Telephone Service As Low as \$6.75 Per Month!

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Are you having difficulty paying your telephone bill? Do you know of someone who cannot afford to have a telephone? If so, you and/or someone you know may be eligible for a discount through The Missouri Universal Service Fund, which is a state program divided into two sections—lifeline and disabled. The discount varies between \$6.50 and \$15.75, depending on your method of qualification. With this program, your monthly service could be as low as \$6.75

per month (excludes required taxes, fees and surcharges).

If you or a dependent residing in your household are receiving benefits from one or more of the programs listed on this page, please contact Mark Twain's office at 660-423-5211 or go to our homepage at marktwain.net to complete and submit the information required for the discounts to be applied to your account.

Lifeline Program

- MO HealthNet (f/k/a Medicaid)
- Supplemental Nutrition Assistance (Food Stamps)
- Supplemental Security Income (SSI)
- Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP)
- Federal Public Housing Assistance (Section 8)
- National School Free Lunch Program
- Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF)
- 135% of the Federal Poverty Level



Disabled Program

- Veteran Administration Disability Benefits
- State Blind Pension
- State Aid to Blind Persons
- State Supplemental Disability Assistance
- Federal Social Security Disability

2016 Youth Tour!

Win a Trip to Washington D.C.

Mark Twain invites you to enter our drawing for a chance to win a trip to Washington, D.C., as part of The Foundation for Rural Service 2016 Youth Tour. The tour is Saturday, June 4 through Wednesday, June 8, 2016. You will gain a first-hand look at the telecommunications industry and government process and spend four days visiting famous historical sites including the Washington Monument, the Smithsonian, the National Cathedral, the U.S. Capitol, and Arlington National Cemetery. You will also have a wonderful time meeting other students from rural communities across the country. Mark Twain will pay the registration fee (which includes meals, ground transportation in Washington, special entertainment, t-shirt, student "yearbook" and admission to ticketed events), hotel and airfare. Students will be met at the airport gate and transported to their hotel. Students are chaperoned by National Telephone Cooperative Association (NTCA) staff and by volunteers from member phone companies.



Eligibility Rules

Students must be in high school, age 16 or 17 years old at the time of the youth tour, and they must be on the A or A-B honor roll. **Your parents or guardian must subscribe to basic local telephone service from either Mark Twain Rural Telephone Company or Mark Twain Communications Company.**

Students meeting the above criteria are asked to complete the application form in this newsletter, detach, and mail to Mark Twain Rural Telephone Company, Attn: Youth Tour, P.O. Box 68, Hurdland, MO, 63547 by **March 14, 2016**. A drawing will be held and the winner will be contacted during the week of April 4, 2016.

Our office will be closed on Monday, February 15th, in observance of President's Day.



Detach and return to the address below by **March 14, 2016.
Please, only one entry per student.**

Mark Twain Rural Telephone Company
Attn: **Youth Tour**
P.O. Box 68
Hurdland, MO 63547

Student's Name: _____

Parent or Guardian Name: _____

(Please write name as it appears on your telephone bill)

Parent or Guardian's Telephone Number: _____

(As it appears on your telephone bill)

Student's Mailing Address: _____

Student's Telephone Number: _____

Student's Email Address: _____

School's Name: _____

Parent or Guardian Signature: _____