



AFFORDABLE INTERNET OPTIONS

IN THE GREATER CLEVELAND AREA

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OVERVIEW: AFFORDABLE INTERNET OPTIONS

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A. Types of Internet Access

B. Free & Low-Cost Connectivity Providers:

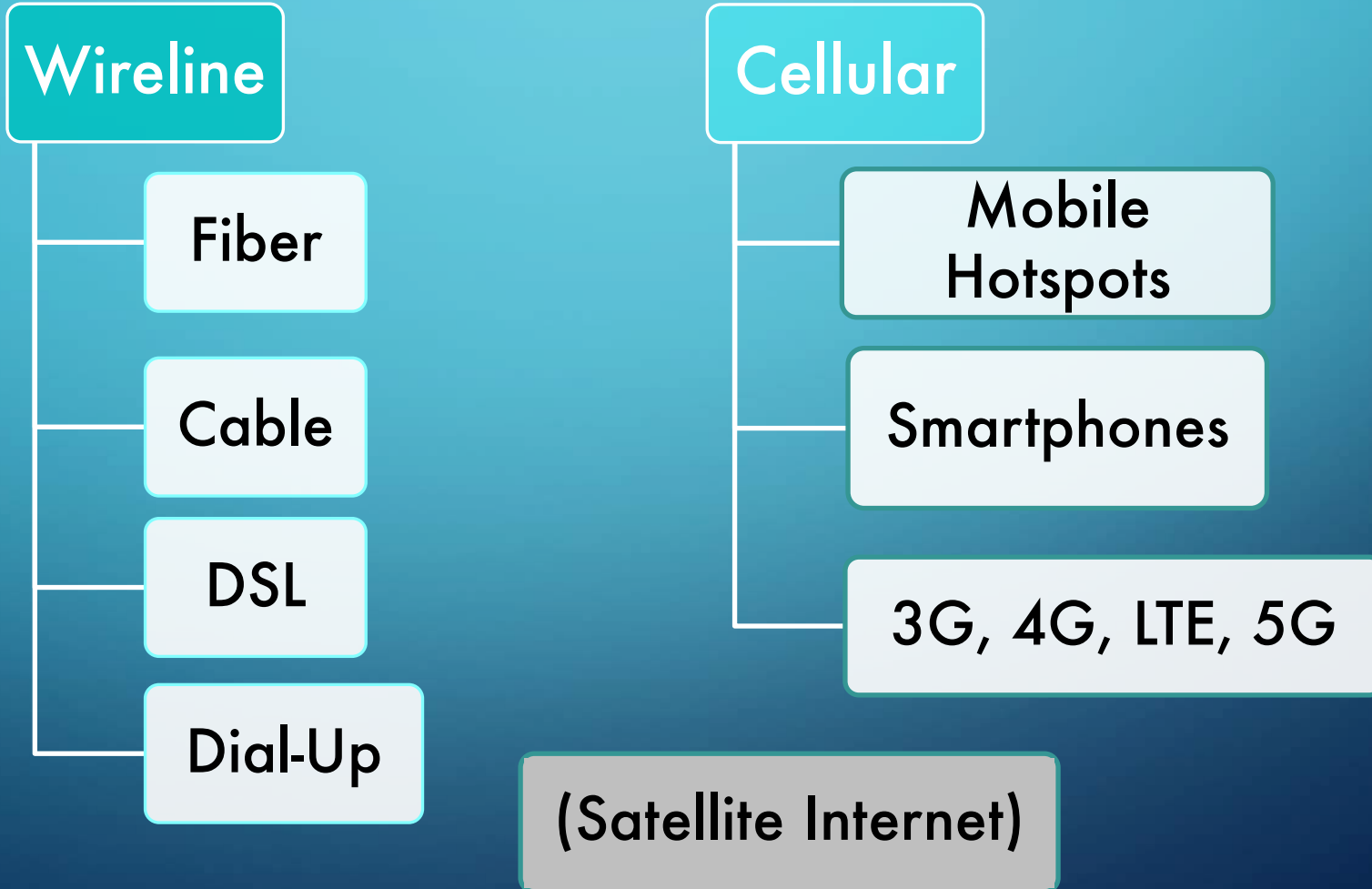
1. Spectrum
2. AT&T
3. T-Mobile
4. Verizon
5. Mobile Citizen
6. Digital C & empowerCLE+
7. PCs for People (Mobile Beacon)
8. Other Local Options (W.O.W., COX, Windspeed, East Cleveland Cable, etc.)

C. ASC3 Individualized Assistance



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IMPORTANT NOTES

Internet speeds are measured in megabits per second (Mbps). The minimum recommended speed for educational activities is 25 Mbps (download speed) and 3 Mbps (upload speed). The "ISPs" or Internet Service Providers offer plans with varying speeds, allowances and agreements.



KNOW YOUR INTERNET SPEED VARIES BASED ON TIME, USAGE & TYPE



IMPORTANT NOTES

Two easy ways to check your internet speed:

OOKLA: www.speedtest.net

Google: "speed test"

Check these results against the speed listed on your plan



Charter Spectrum

Spectrum offers the "Internet Assist" program which includes:

- Free modem (self-installation or professional installation)
- Optional home Wi-Fi (\$5/mo)
- Speeds: 30 Mbps download / 4 Mbps upload
- No data caps!
- No contracts!
- Plans from \$14.99 - \$17.99/mo

To qualify, you must participate in one of these assistance programs:

NSLP (School Lunch), CEP, SSI (Social Security for 65+)





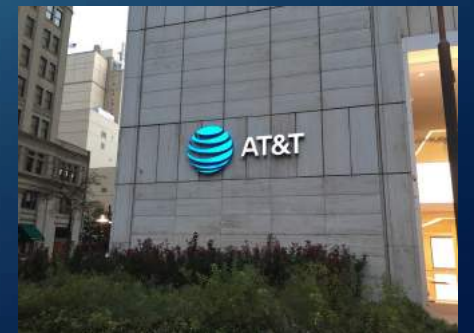
AT&T

AT&T offers the "Access" program which includes:

- Free modem/router (free installation)
- Wi-Fi included at no extra cost!
- Free access to AT&T Public WiFi hotspots
- Speeds: up to 25 Mbps download /4 Mbps upload
- No charge for home data overages until September 30, 2020
- No deposits! No contracts!
- Plans are \$10/mo or less based on maximum speed

* Eligibility is based on income, available to those participating in the National School Lunch and Headstart Programs, SNAP and SSI. Limited time offer.

<https://www.att.com/internet/access/>



T-Mobile

Project 10Million:

- \$10 Billion**, 5 year initiative to ensure student connectivity
- Eligible households receive **100GB** of data per year and a **FREE** mobile hotspot for 5 years!
- Eligibility: National School Lunch Program; K-12
- Distributed by each enrolled school
- Parents, guardians & administrators get started at:
<https://tinyurl.com/yx9sgdnf>

*Tablets and PCs also available at additional cost

*Retail hotspots available for \$84; finance w/ credit approval

MOBILE HOTSPOT DATA PLANS					
2 GB	6 GB	10 GB	14 GB	18 GB	22 GB
\$10/mo. with \$5 AutoPay discount	\$25/mo. with \$5 AutoPay discount	\$40/mo. with \$5 AutoPay discount	\$55/mo. with \$5 AutoPay discount	\$70/mo. with \$5 AutoPay discount	\$85/mo. with \$5 AutoPay discount



verizon^v

Verizon does not offer any low-cost internet options, and does not have FiOS in our area. However, they do offer hotspots. They also have discounts for teachers.

Verizon offers 4 hotspot devices ranging from **\$167.99 - \$649.99**
Monthly installments available with approved credit; **\$40** Activation fee

Plans: **\$15** (1GB), **\$80** (Unlimited w/ 15GB throttle), others available
<https://www.verizon.com/internet-devices>

Teachers: **\$5 - \$15 off** FiOS plans, Unlimited cellular plans as low as **\$30**

<https://www.verizon.com/teachers>





ASC3 offers 2, 4G LTE hotspot options through **Mobile Citizen**, powered by the **T-Mobile/ Sprint** Network:



1. Coolpad Surf Mobile Hotspot

- Year 1: **\$223.16** (includes device) Annual Service: **\$134.16**
- Connect up to 10 devices



2. MiFi 8000 Mobile Hotspot

- Year 1: **\$347.16** (includes device) Annual Service: **\$134.16**
- Connect up to 15 devices! Dual band, touchscreen, faster and more secure!

Call the ASC3 Hotline for Internet Information (**HII**)
for inquiries (Response within 48 hours)

216-202-4292



6815 Euclid Ave.
Cleveland, OH 44103
info@empowercle.org
216.777.3859

Availability:

EmpowerCLE is available in **Glenville, Woodland Hills, Clark Fulton, and Fairfax**. Hough and Buckeye-Shaker are coming soon.

Offers:

- Free modem/router (free installation)
- Wi-Fi included at no extra cost!
- Speeds: up to **25 Mbps** download / **50 Mbps** upload
- No deposits! No contracts!
- Plans are **\$18/mo** plus taxes and fees

https://empowercle.org/get_connected/



3126 St Clair Ave. NE
Cleveland, OH 44114
www.pcsforpeople.org
(216)930-5741



3 Months - \$125

Includes wireless LTE modem (\$80) + 3 months service (\$45)

Unlimited 4G LTE Service*



6 Months - \$170

Includes wireless LTE modem (\$80) + 6 months service (\$90)

Unlimited 4G LTE Service*



12 Months - \$260

Includes wireless LTE modem (\$80) + 12 months service (\$180)

Unlimited 4G LTE Service*

Persons in Family	Max Allowed Income
1	\$ 25,520
2	\$34,480
3	\$43,440
4	\$52,400
5	\$61,360
6	\$70,320
7	\$79,280
8	\$88,240

* Qualify with SNAP, TANF, SSI, Medicaid, Pell Grant, Headstart, and more! PCs also available.

* Prepaid; no credit check; **\$15/mo**

<https://www.pcsforpeople.org/low-cost-internet>

Buy online: <https://pcsrefurbished.com/sales/categorySales.aspx?categoryID=12>

OTHER PROVIDERS

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- Connected Nation: connectednation.org/ohio/
 - Digital Divide “big picture” organization
- EveryoneOn: everyoneon.org/lowcost-offers
 - Nonprofit partner with ISPs
- Windspeed (East Cleveland & Bratenahl)
 - Plans are **\$39.95 - \$54.95**
- WOW
 - Plans start at **\$34.99**
- COX
 - Connect2Compete (**\$9.95**/mo for K-12)
 - Check address (not all parts of CLE)
- Huguesnet & Viasat (satellite)



ASC3 INDIVIDUALIZED ASSISTANCE

ASHBURY SENIOR COMPUTER COMMUNITY CENTER



HOTLINE FOR INTERNET INFORMATION(HII)

- Call 216-202-4292
- Leave a message
- Receive an individualized, researched response within 48 hours
- Broadband connection, device help, training program information, CMSD academic portal assistance

DIGITAL AVIATOR PROGRAM (DAP)

- 6-week "hybrid" training program (onboard in-person, train virtually)
- Laptop (Chromebook) and hotspot provided for program duration
- Learn computer basics like how to navigate your devices and set up an email account
- Advance to higher levels of digital literacy using Digital Learn and Northstar Digital Literacy platforms

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