JERSEY CITY Housing Authority
Building Communities...Creating Opportunities...Transforming Lives

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MAKE THE MOST OUT OF YOUR NEW COMPUTER!

FREE/AFFORDABLE INTERNET

FCC AFFORDABLE CONNECTIVITY PROGRAM (ACP): The ACP is like an internet coupon, providing a discount of up to $30 per month off your internet subscription. All JCHA households are eligible. Learn more at https://acpbenefit.org/.

Residents at the following Jersey City Housing Authority developments can contact the listed internet providers directly for fast, easy enrollment for monthly internet fully covered by the ACP.

JCHA DEVELOPMENT	INTERNET SERVICE PROVIDER
• Berry Gardens • Booker T Washington • Curries Woods • Marion Gardens*	Andrena, call or text (256) 907-8690 to register https://andrena.com/
• Hudson Gardens • Thomas J Stewart*	Starry Connect, call (914) 249-9644 to register https://starry.com/acp/

* Service is expected to be available at these sites by early 2023

For more free/affordable internet options, visit https://www.digitalinclusion.org/free-low-cost-internet-plans/. If you already have internet service, contact your current internet service provider to ask about their ACP plans. If you do not have internet service, contact your preferred provider about their ACP plans.

FREE COMPUTER APPLICATIONS

- **To protect yourself and your new laptop while browsing online, download AVG Free Antivirus Protection. https://www.avg.com/en-us/free-antivirus-download#pc**

  o How to download AVG Free Antivirus Protection: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kE3Pm4jgu9Y

- **Google Chrome is the most supported browser for most websites and is most integrated with other Google services.** https://www.google.com/chrome/downloads/

  o How to download Google Chrome browser, https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ew_ReoK1zMc

- **Microsoft Office Alternatives**

  o Open Office is a free, compatible alternative to Microsoft Office, which requires a subscription cost. https://www.openoffice.org/download/ or https://www.techspot.com/downloads/5131-libreoffice-productivity-suite.html

  o **Google Apps - you can create a free Gmail account and use a variety of Microsoft Office Alternatives (no download required)**

    ▪ Tutorials on using Google Apps - https://edu.gcfglobal.org/en/topics/googleapps/

    ▪ Google Docs as a word alternative - https://www.google.com/docs/about/

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- - Other Google Services: https://about.google/products/

    - *Google Apps and Chrome browser are already downloaded on Chromebooks.*

- **Zoom client** – Download the Zoom App for the best videocall experience - https://zoom.us/download. (Click on the big "Download" button to begin the download)

- **To read, comment, and sign PDF documents, download Adobe's free Acrobat Reader** https://get.adobe.com/reader/?promoid=TTGWL47M. (Click on the blue "Download Acrobat Reader" in the top right corner of the webpage.)

WEBSITES & TUTORIALS FOR DIGITAL LITERACY AND VIRTUAL LEARNING

- **GCF Learn Free** - Learn how to use your new device - https://edu.gcfglobal.org/en/subjects/hardware/

- **EveryoneOn Knowledge Center** - Useful resources for digital learning and opportunities https://www.everyoneon.org/digital-learning

- **AT&T Connected Learning –** Free, step by step instructions for basic computer usage; available in English and Spanish – https://att.digitallearn.org

ADDITIONAL ONLINE RESOURCES

- **Jersey City Websites**: Jersey City Housing Authority – https://www.jerseycityha.org/, City of Jersey City – https://www.jerseycitynj.gov/

- **The Jersey City Free Public Library offers a wide range of Digital Services, all available free with your Library Card. To view a comprehensive list of their service offerings, visit the Jersey City Free Public Library Digital Services website,** https://www.jclibrary.org/digital-services.

- **Find help** - Just put in your zip code and find ALL service organizations in your area that can assist with anything from transportation assistance, rent assistance, food distribution and much more: https://www.findhelp.org/

- **NJ Dept of Labor Career Services** – https://nj.gov/labor/career-services/

- **Skill Up NJ Metrix Learning Training Programs** – http://nj.metrixlearning.com/landing.cfm

- **Goodwill Virtual Campus** – Live free workshops for professional development – gwvirtualcampus.org

- **NDEC Digital Skills Classes** – https://digitalequitycenter.org/classes/

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