

# the NETWORK

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## Why Choose Streaming

There are many options when it comes to streaming which means switching from traditional TV doesn't mean you have to give up your favorite channels. There are good reasons why ninety percent of homes in the U.S. are now subscribing to at least one streaming service and the average home subscribes to six services:

### Monthly Savings

Many people are replacing costly traditional TV plans with much more affordable streaming services, some of which have free trial periods.

Plus, stop getting charged for channels you never watch and cancel anytime with monthly billing.

### Convenience

Nobody wants to be tied to a TV schedule. Streaming lets you watch what you want, when you want and where you want.

### Personalization

Streaming services make recommendations on what series or movie to watch next based on your viewing profiles.

Visit our website for more information on streaming how-tos and service options.



## Grand Giveaway Winner

Congratulations to Stacy Zimmerman who won a \$100 Netflix gift card, a \$50 Hulu gift card and a \$100 credit on her account in our Grand Giveaway!

Wondering how to register? No problem, because there's no purchase or registration, just winners! Each month we randomly select one of our "grand" residential customers to win. Our next winner could be you!

# State High School Events Coverage

**State Gymnastics: Mitchell, Friday - Saturday, February 13 - 14**

- Vault - Special Events ch 151
- Bars - Special Events ch 152
- Beam - Special Events ch 153
- Floor - Special Events ch 154

**Esports State Tournament: Aberdeen, Friday - Saturday, February 13 - 14**

- livestream on [sdpb.org/esports](http://sdpb.org/esports)

**State Wrestling: Sioux Falls, Thursday - Saturday, February 26 - 28**

- all matches available at [trackwrestling.com](http://trackwrestling.com) and [sdpb.org](http://sdpb.org)

*Check our Facebook page for updates.*

## Customer Loyalty Discount

We're so thankful for our long-time customers and want to thank you for your years of continued business. If you've been a customer for 5 years or

more, you may be eligible for our customer loyalty discount of 10% off all your monthly recurring services!

Contact us to hear more about our loyalty discount.

*Discount for residential customers only, restrictions apply.*

## Refer A Friend

Looking for some easy money? Just refer a friend to NVC and you and your friend will each get a \$100 credit on your next bill! Just have them give us your name as the referrer.

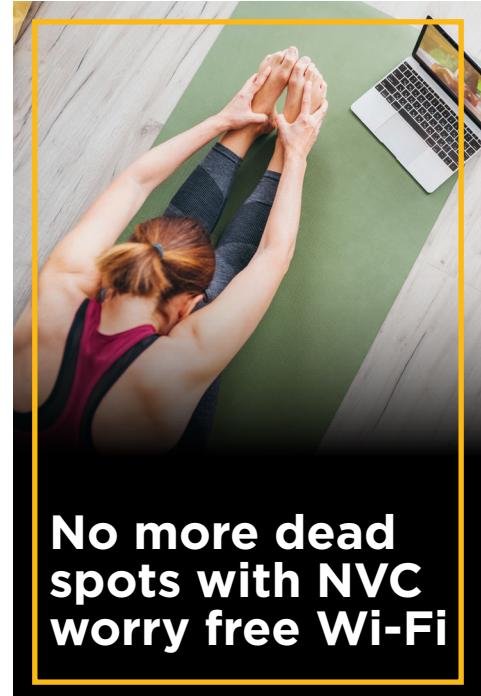
That's \$100 you have to spend somewhere else. So get out there and tell your friends about NVC!

## Update Your Contact Information

Please feel free to contact us to update your email address and ensure we have the one you use the most.

We use email addresses to send important messages on our hours, products, possible equipment upgrades, etc. We also use cell numbers to contact customers about billing and upgrades. If you have a number you would prefer we use, please let us know.

We will not share or sell your email address or cell number to any other company.



## AAHS Sponsored Pet

We are so happy to share our January Aberdeen Area Humane Society sponsored pet Shadow was adopted!

We donate \$250 to the AAHS if our sponsored pet is adopted during that month. Thank you to all who shared our post on Facebook! The AAHS is full of amazing animals waiting to find homes. Visit [anewleashonlife.net](http://anewleashonlife.net) to find your new best friend!



## What is an Authenticator Code?

You may have recently logged into your bank account or another service and been prompted to enter an authenticator code. An authenticator is a security app installed on your smartphone, tablet, or computer. It generates temporary, 6-digit, one-time passwords (OTPs) that help verify your identity when signing in to apps or websites.

You were likely asked for an authenticator code because the service requires Multi-Factor Authentication (MFA), also known as Two-Factor Authentication (2FA), to help keep your account secure.

An authenticator provides a second layer of security in addition to your password. Unlike SMS text messages, authenticator apps do not require internet access or cellular service to generate codes. They work by syncing with the service's server time.

You may be prompted for an authenticator code for several reasons, including:

**Credential protection:** Even if a hacker steals your password, they cannot access your account without the physical device that generates the code.

**New device or location:** Logging in from a new

device, browser, or location may be flagged as suspicious activity.

**Compliance requirements:** Many financial institutions, workplaces, and educational organizations require MFA to meet security regulations.

**SIM-swapping protection:** Authenticator apps are more secure than SMS codes, which can be intercepted by hackers.

**Enhanced security:** MFA confirms your identity using "something you know" (your password) and "something you have" (your phone or device).

**Accessing sensitive information:** You may be changing passwords, updating billing details, or accessing confidential work or financial data.

If you receive an authenticator prompt without attempting to log in, this may indicate that someone else has your password and is trying to access your account.

Common authenticator apps include Google Authenticator, Microsoft Authenticator, and Authy, all of which are available in your device's app store.

# FBI Warns Android TV Boxes Contain Malware

Beware of “free TV boxes” that promise unlimited access to live sports, movies, or premium channels. If it sounds too good to be true, it probably is. These devices can expose your home network to malware, hackers, and serious security risks.

The FBI has issued a warning about a large-scale malware campaign known as “BadBox 2.0.” This threat has been found on millions of internet-connected devices, including TV streaming boxes, digital projectors, and even aftermarket vehicle entertainment systems.

According to the FBI, many of the affected devices were manufactured in China and secretly backdoored to host malware. In some cases, the malware is installed before the product is sold; in others, devices become infected during setup when required apps containing hidden backdoors are downloaded.

Warning signs your device may be compromised:

Streaming devices from unknown or unrecognized brands.

Unofficial or suspicious app stores.

Requests to disable Google Play Protect.

Devices without Google Play Protect certification.

Ads or prompts offering “free” streaming from unofficial sources.

How to reduce your risk:

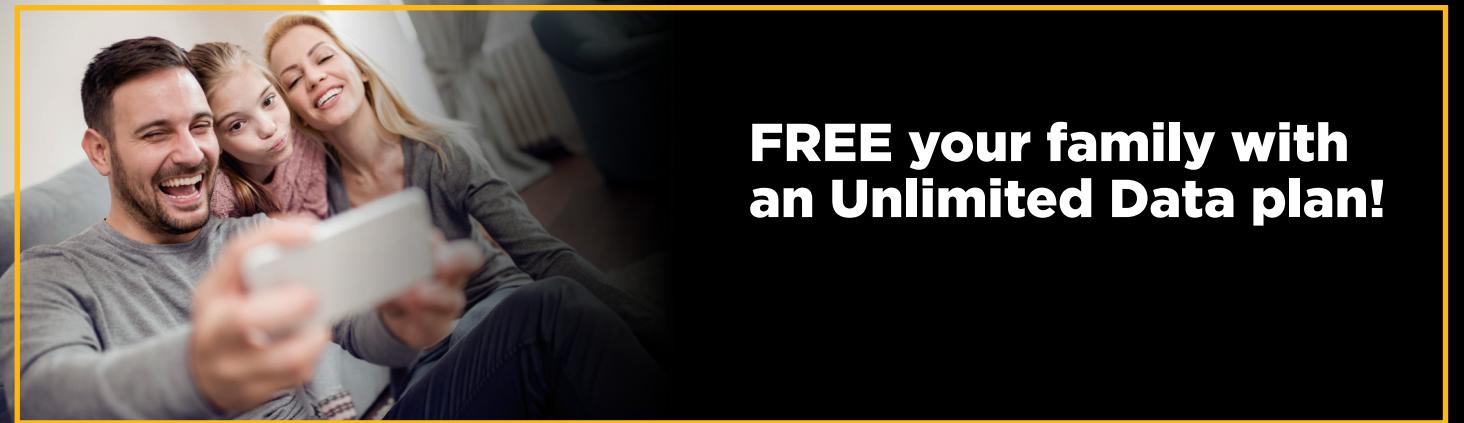
Avoid downloading apps from unofficial app stores.

Disconnect any device that appears suspicious.

Replace questionable streaming boxes with products from well-known, trusted brands.

Keep devices updated and regularly review what’s connected to your home network.

As your trusted provider, you can be confident that any device NVC installs in your home meets strict safety and security standards.



**FREE your family with  
an Unlimited Data plan!**

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