



#### Cutting the Cord

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# Cut The Cord by Taking advantage of Online Streaming services using your High Speed Internet.

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Over The Top Streaming Services are an alternative to traditional satellite and cable television services available to people who have a High Speed Internet Connection and Streaming Devices.



## Advantages of Streaming Services

#### 1. Cost Savings

OTT services are less expensive than their cable or satellite equivalencies.

#### 2. Personalization

A huge number of options allow you to pick and choose content you want, dismantling cookie cutter content packages.

#### 3. Convenience

Services are available on a wide range of devices and can be access from any high speed internet source.



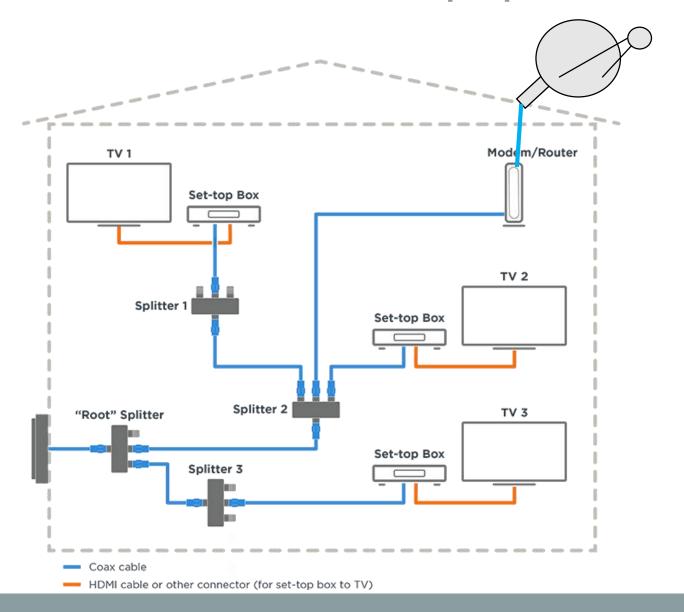
## What do *I* need to use streaming services?

- 1. High Speed Internet with Unlimited and Unthrottled Data: Midwest Energy & Communications Fiber Optic Internet Service.
- 2. Streaming Devices: Smartphones, Tablets, Laptops, and Streaming Sticks & Smart Tv.
- 3. Subscriptions to Streaming Services:

Netflix, Hulu, Sling TV, Direct TV NOW, etc.

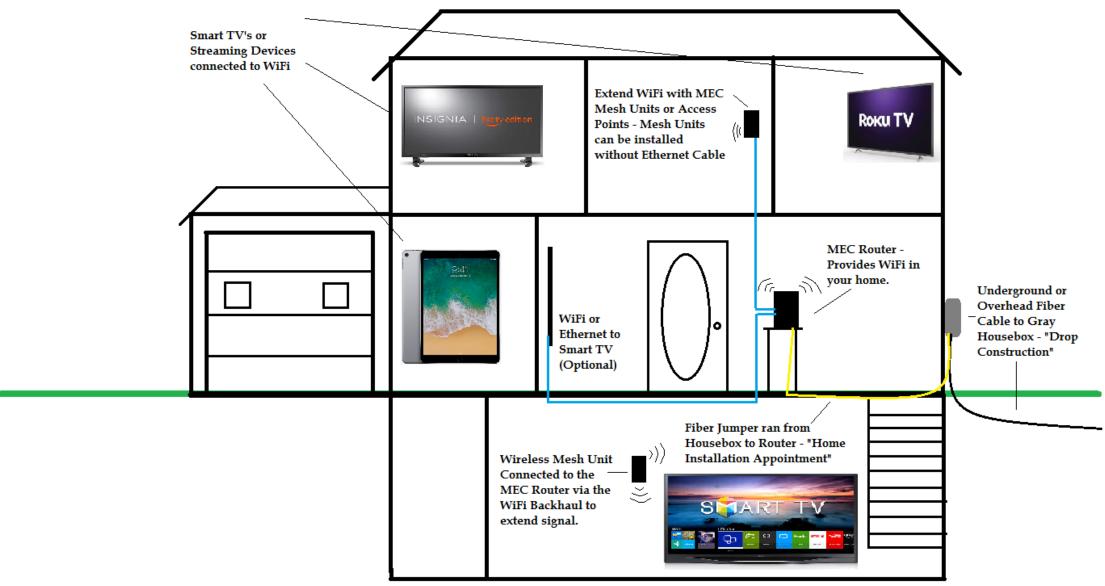
#### Current Cable/Satellite Equipment





#### Streaming Equipment





#### Television and Media Streaming Services



- Regularly Scheduled Programming
  - Sling TV
  - Direct TV Now
  - PlayStation Vue
  - Hulu Live
  - YouTube TV
- Free TV Apps
  - Pluto TV
  - PBS
  - Roku App

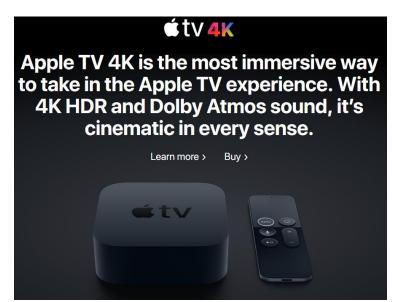
- On-Demand Content
  - Netflix
  - Hulu (SVOD)
  - Amazon Video (Amazon Prime)
  - MLB.TV
  - HBO Now
  - Starz
  - YouTube Red
  - Showtime
  - CBS All Access

#### Streaming Devices

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#### What Speed do *I* need?

Each Device watching HD streaming content should allocate 10 Mbps. Most content is HD at the moment.

4K UHD content should allocate 25 Mbps per device. More 4K UHD content is being released daily.

#### Cutting the Cord Steps to Success!



- 1. Research what services fit your family.
- 2. Use a device you already own or purchase one streaming device.
- 3. Try a service or two for the free trial period while maintaining your current subscriptions for no extra cost.
- 4. Compare the prices for the streaming services you like to your current bill and determine if your family can indeed save money.
- 5. Cut the Cord!

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#### Helpful Links



- MEC
  - www.teammidwest.com
- Streaming Devices
  - Roku: www.roku.com
  - Amazon Fire:

     https://www.amazon.com/dp
     /B01N32NCPM/ref=ods\_smp
     se\_d\_needle\_prostr
  - Air TV: https://www.airtv.net/

#### Streaming Services

- Netflix: <u>www.Netflix.com</u>
- Hulu: www.hulu.com
- Sling TV: <u>www.sling.com</u>
- Direct TV NOW: www.directvnow.com
- PlayStation Vue:

   https://www.playstation.com/e
   n-us/network/vue/
- Youtube TV: <u>www.tv.youtube.com</u>