

News Release

Central and East Kansas Get a High-Speed Connectivity Boost with Brightspeed Fiber Internet

Company's multi-million-dollar investment will bring blazing fast internet to more than 32,000 families and businesses

CHARLOTTE, N.C. — November 25, 2024 — Brightspeed, one of the nation's largest fiber broadband builders focused on empowering more homes with ultrafast, reliable internet, is connecting more than 32,000 locations across 15 communities in Central and East Kansas to its multi-gig-speed fiber network.

Brightspeed is dedicated to deploying next-generation, fiber-optic technology to build a more reliable, super-fast broadband internet network that will reach more homes and businesses in the Sunflower State — a state that ranks 48th in the nation when it comes to internet coverage, speed and availability according to BroadbandNow. The table below breaks down the active, planned locations for Brightspeed's network across the state.

Community	Planned locations
Hesston	884
Spring Hill	1,053
Osage City	1,686
Hiawatha	1,897
Horton	1,117
Fredonia	1,451
Hoisington	1,548
Holton	1,819
Junction City	11,709
Garnett	1,809
Sterling	1,040
Osawatomie	1,995
Baldwin City	1,750
Ellinwood	1,170
Hillsboro	1,430

What to Expect During Construction

Residents in many of these communities have likely seen Brightspeed trucks in their local neighborhoods as crews work to bring people online. Brightspeed's highest priority is working quickly and efficiently within these local communities, keeping safety at the forefront.

This week, residents of Baldwin City and Garnett may see Brightspeed direct sales representatives going door to door to answer questions about Brightspeed Fiber Internet service and schedule installations on the spot.

Residents can check fiber availability in their area by visiting www.brightspeed.com/brightspeed-fiber-internet/ and signing up to receive alerts when service is available at their location. Once connected, customers can expect straightforward bills, easy-to-understand plans and internet connections that just work.

Central and East Kansas are Getting the Best in Broadband

The Brightspeed Fiber Internet network leverages the latest XGS-PON (10-Gigabit Symmetric Passive Optical Network) technology to bring multi-gig-speed capabilities and consistent responsiveness that enable multi-device households to work, stream, connect, study and game both reliably and efficiently.

Installation technicians are committed to providing the very best experience for customers. Once connected, Brightspeed Fiber Internet customers can expect straightforward bills, easy-to-understand plans and internet connections that just work.

Brightspeed Fiber is More Than Just Internet

Put simply, high-speed internet equals opportunity. Access to fast and affordable internet and Wi-Fi will level the playing field for people living in rural communities who have previously been left behind. That's why Brightspeed is building its smart, fiber optics-based network in communities across Kansas — so residents and business owners have the reliable connectivity they need to work, learn, play and thrive.

Brightspeed is already making a multi-billion-dollar investment in deploying next-generation fiber-optic technology to build a more reliable, super-fast broadband internet network that will reach more than four million homes and businesses across 20 states.

Additionally, the company will continue pursuing state and federal broadband grant funding to augment its current fiber network build plan in Kansas.

About Brightspeed

Headquartered in Charlotte, N.C. and with assets and associated operations in 20 states, Brightspeed provides broadband and telecommunications services through a network platform capable of serving more than 6.5 million homes and businesses. Our 4,000 employees are committed to building a future where more communities benefit from a more connected life, deploying a state-of-the-art fiber network and a customer experience that makes being connected as simple as it should be. For more information, please visit www.brightspeed.com.

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