# Brightspeed Fiber is Coming to Bell County with its High-speed Internet

Company's multi-million-dollar investment will provide high-speed internet to more locations in Texas

CHARLOTTE, N.C. — March 7, 2024 — Brightspeed, the nation's fifth largest incumbent local exchange carrier (ILEC) focused on empowering more homes with ultrafast, reliable internet, has started fiber deployment in and around Killeen and Bell County, TX.

Right now, permitting and construction are underway to connect the more than 95,000 local homes and businesses that Brightspeed will soon serve. The first 10,000 are already online, and we are on schedule to more than double that over the next couple of months.

## **What to Expect During Construction**

Families and businesses have likely already seen our Brightspeed trucks in their neighborhoods as our crews work to bring them online. Brightspeed's highest priority is working quickly and efficiently within our local communities, keeping safety at the forefront.

Customers can check for fiber availability in their area by visiting <a href="www.brightspeed.com/brightspeed-fiber-internet/">www.brightspeed.com/brightspeed-fiber-internet/</a> and sign up to receive alerts when service is available at their location.

# Bell County is Getting the Best in Broadband

The Brightspeed Fiber Internet network leverages the latest XGS-PON (10-Gigabit Symmetric Passive Optical Network) technology to bring boosted gig-speed capabilities and consistent responsiveness. It will enable multi-device households to connect, work, study, stream, communicate, and game efficiently and reliably in Killeen and its surrounding areas.

#### **Brightspeed Fiber is More Than Just Internet**

Put simply, high-speed internet equals opportunity for households and businesses alike. Ensuring everyone has access to fast, reliable and affordable internet and Wi-Fi will have a major impact on the rural-urban digital divide. That's why we're building our smart, fiber optics-based network in communities like Killeen — so residents and business owners have the reliable connectivity they need to work, learn, play and thrive.

Brightspeed is already investing \$2 billion in deploying next-generation fiber-optic technology to build a more reliable, super-fast broadband internet network that will reach more than three million homes and businesses across 20 states. Additionally, Brightspeed is pursuing state and federal funding to augment its current fiber network build plan in Texas to help close the digital divide across the state's counties.

### **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 more than 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 <a href="https://www.brightspeed.com">www.brightspeed.com</a>.

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