

News Release

Brightspeed Surpasses 3M Fiber-Enabled Locations, Marks Second Consecutive Year of 1M+ Passings

Company on track to reach 4M homes by year-end, accelerating toward 5M+ across footprint

CHARLOTTE, N.C. — April 2, 2026 — [Brightspeed](#), the nation's third-largest fiber builder focused on empowering more homes and businesses with ultrafast, reliable internet, today announced it has surpassed three million fiber-enabled locations across its 20-state footprint. This marks a major milestone achieved through the company's second consecutive year of building more than one million fiber passings. Brightspeed remains laser-focused on its mission to expand access to reliable, high-speed internet service in communities that need it most — ultimately reaching more than five million homes and businesses in 20 states.

“Our second straight year of one million passings highlights the strength and predictability of our build engine,” said Brightspeed CEO Michel Combes. “In a short time, we’ve transformed our network and dramatically expanded our reach by bringing next-generation connectivity to three million locations and counting. This puts us firmly on track to reach four million homes by the end of this year and accelerates our goal to exceed five million fiber-enabled locations across our footprint — scaling efficiently to maximize long-term returns.”

Brightspeed crews and technicians are delivering immediate access to fast, dependable connectivity that helps close the digital divide for families, small businesses and entire communities that have long lacked robust broadband options.

“I’m incredibly proud of the teams and partners making this progress possible by delivering this kind of sustained momentum,” said Brightspeed Executive Vice President of Operations Kristy Harrison. “Building at this pace for a second straight year takes coordination, discipline and an unwavering focus on execution. At the same time, we’re not just passing homes; we’re connecting customers faster and delivering the high-quality experience they expect and deserve.”

Brightspeed Fiber Internet leverages WiFi 7 technology coupled with its gig-speed plans to deliver unprecedented speed, reliability and whole-home coverage engineered for ultra-high-bandwidth households that are powering multi-device streaming, gaming, remote work, online learning and smart devices. By combining next-generation WiFi with aggressive fiber expansion, Brightspeed is positioning itself as a leading provider of speed, reliability and long-term value while elevating the customer experience for millions of households and businesses.

In addition to its multi-billion-dollar investment in its fiber build, Brightspeed has been awarded local, state and federal broadband grants and funding totaling more than \$860 million. Together with the company's private investment, these local, state and federal funds will expand the company's planned network build by more than 338,000.

Families and businesses are seeing more Brightspeed trucks in their local neighborhoods as technicians bring residents online with Brightspeed Fiber Internet. Customers can check for fiber availability in their area by visiting www.brightspeed.com.

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 7.3 million homes and businesses. Our nearly 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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