

News Release

Brightspeed Acquires Cincinnati Communications Fiber Assets; Further Expands Ohio Footprint

Brightspeed Adds Nearly 70K Premises to Network in Butler and Hamilton Counties

CHARLOTTE, N.C. — July 16, 2025 — Brightspeed, the nation's third-largest fiber broadband builder empowering more homes and businesses with reliable, super-fast connectivity, announced the acquisition of 235 miles of fiber assets in suburban Cincinnati from Cincinnati Communications LLC. The fiber miles are strategically adjacent to Brightspeed fiber network builds currently underway in Ohio and eastern Indiana. This acquisition will allow Brightspeed to reach an additional 69,500 locations with its state-of-the-art network.

"These dark fiber assets complement our current fiber network build plan, filling in gaps that help us extend our network and connect even more Ohioans," said Brightspeed COO Manny Sampedro. "We've already enabled more than 200,000 homes and businesses in Ohio, and this bold investment not only adds tens of thousands more connection opportunities in the Cincinnati area but also allows us to connect people even faster than starting the build from scratch."

Connecting Communities across Ohio

The acquired assets are located just 11 miles south of Brightspeed's strategic build in Mason, Ohio, and 12 miles east of its Lawrenceburg, Indiana project, creating a prime opportunity to expand the company's fiber broadband network and reach more customers in the region.

Brightspeed Fiber Internet, recognized as the Fastest Internet Service Provider in the nation in the [2025 Annual Internet Service Provider Review by HighSpeedInternet.com](#), is already available to more than 200,000 homes and businesses in the Buckeye state. The company continues construction of its new, super-fast fiber internet network in and around the state, recently announcing updates to its fiber network builds in the communities of [Lima](#) and [Warren, Ohio](#).

Additionally, the company has been awarded grants and subsidies in Ohio to help bridge the digital divide in rural communities. To date, Brightspeed has been awarded \$13.8 million in funding from the [Ohio Residential Broadband Expansion Grant \(ORBEG\) program](#) funded through the American Rescue Plan Act, the Broadband Expansion Authority and [BroadbandOhio](#) to extend its planned fiber network build by more than 8,300 across the company's footprint in the state.

Once Brightspeed's fiber build is complete, and with the addition of grants and these newly acquired fiber assets, Brightspeed's network will reach a total of more than 420,000 fiber-enabled locations across its Ohio footprint.

Terms of the transaction were not disclosed.

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 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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