

## News Release

# Where Brightspeed Fiber Internet Began: Now Even More Dare County and Outer Banks Residents Will Gain Access to High-Speed Network

*Company's multi-million-dollar investment will provide high-speed internet to more communities across Dare County*

CHARLOTTE, N.C. — April 17, 2024 — Dare County is where Brightspeed's new, state-of-the-art fiber network launched in 2023. Now, the nation's fourth largest fiber broadband builder focused on empowering more homes with ultrafast, reliable internet, is connecting even more homes and businesses across the Outer Banks community, including Nags Head, Colington Island, and Kitty Hawk. When the latest phase of construction is complete, over 15,000 families and small businesses in these communities will have access.

Brightspeed's high-speed internet is already available to over 5,000 homes and businesses in Manteo, where the company first launched its fiber network, plus another 1,600 in the Kitty Hawk area.

### **What to Expect During Construction**

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

Customers can check for fiber availability in their area by visiting [www.brightspeed.com/brightspeed-fiber-internet/](http://www.brightspeed.com/brightspeed-fiber-internet/) and sign up to receive alerts when service is available at their location.

### **Dare 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 that enable multi-device households to connect, work, study, stream, communicate and game efficiently and reliably in Nags Head, Colington Island, and Kitty Hawk.

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

Put simply, high-speed internet equals opportunity for households and businesses alike, and access to fast, reliable and affordable internet and Wi-Fi will help close the rural-urban digital divide. That's why Brightspeed is building its smart, fiber optics-based network in communities like Dare County — 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 North Carolina 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 [www.brightspeed.com](http://www.brightspeed.com).

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