

## **News Release**

## Brightspeed Fiber Network Construction 100% Complete in Canton, Monroe City and Palmyra, MO; Continues Expansion in Neighboring Communities

Closing the digital divide in the Show-Me State, where less than half have fiber service access\*

**CHARLOTTE, N.C.** — **September 9, 2025** — Today, <u>Brightspeed</u>, the nation's third-largest fiber broadband builder and provider of <u>the country's fastest internet service</u>, as determined by HighSpeedInternet.com's Annual Service Provider Review 2025, announced the completion of its fiber network build in Canton, Monroe City and Palmyra, Missouri. Now, 4,500 locations are fiber-enabled in those communities. Blazing-fast, reliable internet is now at the fingertips of thousands of families and business, powering work, learning, shopping, healthcare and life online.

Community	Fiber-enabled locations
Canton	1,102
Monroe City	1,539
Palmyra	1,859

"At Brightspeed, we're committed to upgrading our customers from outdated copper lines to more reliable fiber technology," said Rod Mischke, Missouri government affairs director at Brightspeed. "This investment means a stronger, faster and more dependable customer experience, ensuring that families and businesses, especially in rural and underserved communities, can count on consistent voice and internet service."

## Brightspeed fiber network deployment

Brightspeed is determined to close the digital gap for families, remote workers, students and businesses in northeast Missouri. Once the company's full fiber network buildout in Lewis, Marion, Monroe and Shelby counties is complete, nearly 7,400 families and businesses will have access to Brightspeed's multi-gig-speed fiber internet service.

Currently, the company's fiber network construction is underway in Paris. Construction in Clarence, La Belle and Shelbina will begin once the company's permitting process is complete. This table shows how many fiber locations Brightspeed has planned in these four communities where residents and business owners will soon have the option to upgrade their outdated copper service to reliable, state-of-the-fiber connectivity:

Community	Planned locations
Clarence	594
La Belle	387
Paris	924
Shelbina	965

To learn more about Brightspeed's services or check availability, visit www.brightspeed.com.

\*According to BroadbandNow

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

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