

CenturyLink Building Fiber and Delivering Faster Internet to More Consumers and Businesses

Thousands of residential customers will soon have access to fiber gigabit speeds

MONROE, La., May 19, 2020 /[PRNewswire](#)/ -- CenturyLink, a provider of high-speed internet service to communities across the country, has expanded its fiber network in many parts of the U.S., and plans to continue this growth by bringing faster internet speeds to additional homes and businesses in several cities.

Residential and Small Business Connectivity

Through various fiber builds, CenturyLink enabled an estimated 300,000 additional homes and small businesses with faster internet speeds in 2019, including the delivery of gigabit speeds in certain portions of Boulder, Colo., Spokane, Wash., and Tucson, Ariz. CenturyLink plans on continuing its fiber construction projects and expects to bring gigabit speeds to an estimated 400,000 additional homes and small businesses in certain areas of several cities, including:

- Denver, Colo.
- Idaho Falls, Idaho
- Omaha, Neb.
- Phoenix, Ariz.
- Pocatello, Idaho
- Portland, Ore.
- Salt Lake City
- Seattle, Wash.
- Spokane, Wash.
- Springfield, Mo.

"As we change the way we learn and work right now in the U.S., CenturyLink sees, more than ever, the importance of reliable high-speed internet access," said Maxine Moreau, CenturyLink president of consumer markets. "We expect to continue building and expanding fiber to provide those essential connections to families and businesses. We strive to make our services more accessible, more affordable and less complicated, and we're committed to connecting customers to the things that matter most."

Businesses use Increased Data and Network Capacity

Enterprise businesses also benefit from the data capacity fiber provides. CenturyLink recently

expanded its network infrastructure in eight cities across the U.S., connecting large technology corporations, start-ups and data centers to its robust fiber network. These expansions were completed in:

- Foster City, Calif.
- Hillsboro, Ore.
- Mesa, Ariz.
- Midland, Texas
- Milpitas, Calif.
- Palo Alto, Calif.
- Franklin, Tenn.
- Troy, Mich.

In 2019 CenturyLink connected an estimated 18,000 additional buildings to its scalable global network.

"We understand the importance of a secure and reliable network that delivers faster connections and the capacity enterprise companies need to keep up with increasing business demands," said Ed Morche, president, strategic enterprise and government markets, CenturyLink. "The network expansions and capital investments we've made reaffirm CenturyLink's commitment to be the trusted connection for businesses needing a robust, secure infrastructure to unlock new opportunities presented by transformative technologies".

CenturyLink plans to expand its network infrastructure in 20 additional cities this year to help national and regional enterprise businesses meet the growing demand for high-speed connectivity.

About CenturyLink

[CenturyLink](#), (NYSE: CTL) is a technology leader delivering hybrid networking, cloud connectivity, and security solutions to customers around the world. Through its extensive global fiber network, CenturyLink provides secure and reliable services to meet the growing digital demands of businesses and consumers. CenturyLink strives to be the trusted connection to the networked world and is focused on delivering technology that enhances the customer experience. Learn more at <https://news.centurylink.com>

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