

## AT&T Invests Nearly \$350 Million Over 3-Year Period to Enhance Local Networks in Phoenix Area

PHOENIX, May 10, 2016 — At AT&T<sup>1</sup>, we've invested nearly \$350 million in our Phoenix wireless and wired networks during 2013-2015. These investments drive upgrades to enhance reliability, coverage, speed and overall performance for residents and businesses. They also enhance critical services that support public safety and first responders.

In 2015, AT&T made more than 300 wireless network upgrades in the Phoenix area, including new cell sites, LTE upgrades and the addition of network capacity.

"In order for Arizona to continue to thrive and serve its residents, it's imperative we have companies that invest through thoughtful innovation," said John Ragan, chief operating officer, Arizona Chamber of Commerce and Industry. "With AT&T's on-going investment in its fast, reliable network, our residents and businesses have the tools to compete and grow."

Notable Phoenix area network enhancements in 2015 included upgrading AT&T's network for football's Big Game in February. In order to serve the crowds in the Phoenix area, AT&T tripled the LTE capacity for the Distributed Antenna System (DAS) at the Glendale stadium, brought in 10 cell on wheels (COWs), and upgraded or installed 13 new DAS at hotels, sports arenas, convention centers and other venues.

"We're committed to providing our customers fast, reliable, highly secure connectivity. We want them to be able access the Internet at any moment, from almost any device and from anywhere," said Jerry Fuentes, president of Arizona and New Mexico, AT&T. "Our continued investment in Phoenix brings a host of new, innovative opportunities for residents and businesses."

In 2016, for the second year in a row, FORTUNE magazine recognized AT&T as the Most Admired Telecommunications Company in the world. We also placed #48 among the Top 50 World's Most Admired companies in the world. This is our third year in a row on the Top 50 list – AT&T is the only communications company on the list. The company ranked #1 in all 9 attributes. This includes innovation, financial soundness and quality of products/services. FORTUNE's Most Admired Companies lists are among the most highly respected indicators of corporate performance and reputation.

We have big plans for 2016. We'll be giving you the ability to access and stream DIRECTV video services over a wired or wireless Internet connection from any provider and from



virtually any device – smartphone, tablet, Smart TV, streaming media hardware or PC. We plan for each service to come with a set number of simultaneous sessions. These services will not require annual contracts, satellite dishes or set-top boxes.

We have an extensive Wi-Fi network with more than 40,000 AT&T Wi-Fi Hot Spots at popular restaurants, hotels, bookstores and retailers. And we provide access to Wi-Fi at more 1 million locations around the world. Most AT&T smartphone customers and home Internet customers get access to our entire national Wi-Fi network at no additional cost. Wi-Fi usage doesn't count towards customers' monthly wireless data plans<sup>2</sup>.

To learn more about our coverage in Phoenix or anywhere in the U.S., visit the AT&T Coverage Viewer. For updates on the AT&T wireless network, please visit the AT&T network news page.

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