



News Release

AT&T Invests More Than \$35 Million Over Three-Year Period to Connect Customers in Youngstown

YOUNGSTOWN, Ohio, July 7, 2021 - AT&T* is proud to connect customers across the country by continuing to grow the nation's best network¹. From 2018-2020, we expanded coverage and improved connectivity in more communities by investing more than \$35 million in our wireless and wireline networks in Youngstown.

AT&T's commitment to communities across the country continues and spans all layers of our network—from fiber to 5G to [FirstNet®](#). These investments are essential to connecting our customers with their family, friends and colleagues by increasing the network's speed, reliability, coverage and overall performance.

"The pandemic made clear the importance of broadband access," said Oak Hill Collaborative Executive Director Pat Kerrigan. "It connects us, helps us to communicate, do business, and enjoy the quality of life and that's why AT&T's investment in their broadband and wireless networks here is so significant. Public/private collaborations are a key to bridging the digital divide, and we appreciate AT&T's commitment to our community."

We recently announced that AT&T will invest \$2 billion over the next 3 years to help address the [digital divide](#) nationwide. AT&T also further improved critical communications for Youngstown first responders and improved public safety with [FirstNet®](#) – America's public safety network.

"AT&T's investment in Youngstown confirms our commitment to expanding coverage and helping to boost the local economy," said AT&T External Affairs Director Christopher Wyche. "We keep Youngstown residents connected to their loved ones and their work, while helping to ensure the efficiency of their local public safety personnel."

More details about our wireless coverage in Youngstown, and anywhere in the U.S., can be found on the [AT&T Coverage Viewer](#). For updates on the AT&T wireless network, please visit the [AT&T network news page](#).

Bringing fast, reliable, secure AT&T 5G to more Americans

AT&T is unlocking the power of 5G for consumers, businesses and first responders through both AT&T 5G and AT&T 5G+:

- **AT&T 5G**, delivered over sub-6 spectrum sets us up to offer a better wireless experience with greater capacity to enable faster responses on capable devices. AT&T offers fast, reliable, and secure 5G to 240 million people in 14,000 cities and towns nationwide including Youngstown.
- **AT&T 5G+** is our name for 5G delivered over a millimeter wave spectrum. Its super-fast speeds make it ideal for high-traffic areas and places like stadiums, arenas, school



campuses, hospitals and will help unlock unprecedented experiences in iconic destinations and key venues. AT&T 5G+ is currently available in parts of 38 cities and more than 20 venues, across the country.

To learn more about AT&T 5G, visit our [AT&T 5G site](#).

FirstNet: Dedicated to America's First Responders

We are committed to improving public safety infrastructure. As a part of that commitment, we have invested and built FirstNet in public-private partnership with the First Responder Network Authority (FirstNet Authority) – an independent agency within the federal government. FirstNet is the *only* nationwide, high-speed broadband communications platform dedicated to and purpose-built for America's first responders and the extended public safety community.

- **Expanding to serve:** FirstNet focuses on where first responders need connectivity. We've moved quickly to deliver more coverage, boost capacity, and drive new capabilities for first responders. Using all AT&T LTE commercial spectrum as well as high-quality Band 14 spectrum, FirstNet covers **2.71 million square miles nationwide**. And we're actively extending the reach of FirstNet in Ohio to give agencies large and small the reliable, unthrottled connectivity and modern communications tools they require.
- **First responder-centric 5G:** FirstNet subscribers in parts of 38 cities and more than 20 venues now have access to AT&T 5G+. Our [approach to 5G](#) for public safety is unlike anything else. We've upgraded the dedicated FirstNet network core to enable 5G connectivity that is being built to intuitively optimize the experience for America's first responders. First responders maintain voice communications with *always-on* priority and preemption on LTE, while the FirstNet network determines the best route for data traffic with compatible devices, whether that's 5G+ or LTE spectrum.

The FirstNet network is providing Youngstown public safety with truly dedicated coverage and capacity when they need. These advanced capabilities enable FirstNet to help fire, EMS and law enforcement personnel save lives and protect their communities.

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¹ GWS awarded AT&T Best Network OneScore 2020. GWS conducts drive tests for AT&T and uses the data in its OneScore analysis.

² Internet speed claims represent maximum network service capabilities and based on wired connection to gateway. Actual customer speeds may vary based on a number of factors and are not guaranteed. Download speeds for Internet 1000 are typically up to 940Mbps due to overhead capacity reserved to deliver the data. For more information, go to www.att.com/speed101.

³ Based on network availability.

⁴ Based on wired connection to the gateway.

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