



## News Release

### **AT&T Invests More Than \$70 Million Over 3-Year Period to Boost Local Networks in Nebraska**

OMAHA, Neb., Nov. 12, 2019 — At [AT&T](#)<sup>1</sup>, we've invested more than \$70 million in our Nebraska wireless and wired networks during 2016-2018. These investments boost reliability, coverage, speed and overall performance for residents and businesses. We've also improved critical services that support Public Safety and first responders using the FirstNet communications platform.

AT&T's wireless network covers more than 99% of all Americans and has become the fastest wireless network in the nation, according to the third quarter 2019 results from tests taken with Speedtest® and analyzed by Ookla®.<sup>2</sup>

In 2018, AT&T made 289 wireless network upgrades in Nebraska. We added new cell sites, additional network capacity and enhanced back haul. By building out our 4G LTE network, we're boosting network speeds and capacity, as we continue to expand the availability of our network and upgrade our technology.

"Technology is such a critical component to all of Nebraska's industries, from the agricultural fields and the high-tech sectors to education and healthcare," said Governor Pete Ricketts. "This type of investment helps spur economic development, job creation, and greater access to vital services."

"Earlier this year, Governor Ricketts signed into law legislation that streamlines the process for the placement of small cells around the state to enhance wireless communications for Nebraska families and businesses," said Dustin Blythe, director, External Affairs, AT&T Nebraska. "This is exactly the kind of policy that encourages wireless companies such as AT&T to invest millions of dollars to build out their mobile broadband networks and enable residents to use the latest wireless technologies and devices while setting the stage for super-fast 5G technology in the future."

Additionally, for the 5th consecutive year we've landed on *Fortune* magazine's list of the "World's Most Admired" companies. It's also the 6th year in a row we've appeared on the Global Top 50 list – no other telecom company made the Top 50.

#### **Transforming Public Safety Communications**

FirstNet is Public Safety's dedicated, nationwide communications platform. It is for all first responders – career and volunteer, urban or rural. It's bringing public safety communications into the 21st century with new, innovative capabilities, helping first



responders connect to the critical information they need – every day and in every emergency.

Building upon our current and planned investments in Nebraska, we continue to extend the reach and increase the capacity of the FirstNet communications platform. Public safety agencies subscribed to FirstNet have 24/7 [access](#) to a nationwide fleet of 75 deployable network assets. These assets can either be deployed for planned events or called upon in emergencies to help first responders stay connected and operate faster, safer and more effectively when lives are on the line.

FirstNet is built with AT&T in a public-private partnership with the [First Responder Network Authority](#) – an independent agency within the federal government. This helps ensure that the FirstNet communications platform and service offerings meet the short- and long-term needs of the public safety community.

To learn more about our wireless coverage in Nebraska, 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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We help family, friends and neighbors connect in meaningful ways every day. From the first phone call 140+ years ago to mobile video streaming, we innovate to improve lives. We have the nation's fastest wireless network.\*\* And according to America's biggest test, we have the nation's best wireless network.\*\*\* We're building [FirstNet](#) just for first responders and creating next-generation mobile 5G. With a range of TV and video products, we deliver entertainment people love to talk about. Our smart, highly secure solutions serve nearly 3 million global businesses – nearly all of the Fortune 1000. And worldwide, our spirit of service drives employees to give back to their communities.

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