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## Mediacom Extends Fiber Network to Five Rural Iowa Communities

**WEST DES MOINES, IA – April 28, 2022** – [Mediacom Communications](#) announced today that the company has expanded its state-of-the-art fiber optic network to five rural Iowa communities in Crawford and Keokuk Counties. Residents and businesses in Deloit, Kiron, Keswick, South English and Webster now have access to substantially faster broadband speeds and join the growing list of more than 300 Gigabit communities Mediacom serves across Iowa.

The new network reaches nearly 600 residential and commercial locations. In all areas, customers can receive download speeds of up to 1 Gigabit-per-second with Mediacom's [Xtream 1 Gig internet](#) product offering.

"With this investment, residents can now connect to the super-fast internet and cutting-edge services that Mediacom customers in other Iowa communities have enjoyed for many years," said Mediacom's Group Vice President Steve Purcell. "Gig Internet provides a huge amount of bandwidth to a home network – allowing multiple users to surf, stream, download and game at the same time."

To extend its fiber optic network to the five underserved communities, Mediacom combined funds from the [Empower Rural Iowa Broadband Grant Program](#) with more than \$1 million of its own private capital. The State of Iowa awarded grants of \$62,207 to help offset network construction costs in Deloit and Kiron, and \$88,519 for the three Keokuk County communities.

These projects are the latest example of the public-private partnership model Mediacom is employing to expand broadband to underserved markets and close digital gaps. Similar grant opportunities allowed Mediacom to expand its fiber network to five other communities in north-central and northwest Iowa in 2021. Recent grants announced by the Iowa Office of Chief Information Officer will help Mediacom bring gigabit-speed broadband services to the communities of Rutland, Truesdale, Williams and Holiday Lake in the coming months.

"Regardless of the community's size, consumers want to connect dozens of internet-dependent devices for everything from home security to smart-home appliances. Robust connectivity is necessary to adapt to innovations that are changing how we work, learn, play and stay connected," Purcell added. "While meeting customer needs today, our network's scalable technology will deliver multi-gig, symmetrical speeds on the [10G platform](#) in the near future."

In 2017, Mediacom was the first major U.S. cable company to launch Gigabit speed broadband in Iowa and across its entire national footprint.

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**ABOUT MEDIACOM COMMUNICATIONS CORPORATION**

Mediacom Communications Corporation is the 5th largest cable operator in the United States and the leading gigabit broadband provider to smaller markets primarily in the Midwest and Southeast. Through its fiber-rich network, Mediacom provides high-speed data, video and phone services to 1.5 million households and businesses across 22 states. The company delivers scalable broadband solutions to commercial and public-sector customers of all sizes through Mediacom Business and sells advertising and production services under the OnMedia brand. More information about Mediacom is available at [mediacomcable.com](http://mediacomcable.com).

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