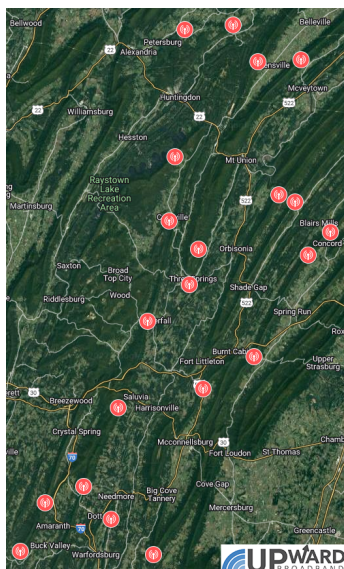




Upward Broadband Receives NTIA Funding to Expand High-speed Broadband Access to Over 7,500

Paradise, PA, February 28, 2022 - Upward Broadband, a family-owned provider of fast, reliable internet, is excited to announce they will receive \$15.44 million of the \$20.4 million awarded to Huntingdon County by the Department of Commerce's National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA). The funds will be used to increase high-speed broadband access across multiple Pennsylvania counties within the next two years.

The funds will allow Upward Broadband to construct approximately 20 towers in unserved areas where there currently are no towers. Nine towers will be constructed in Huntingdon County, eight in Fulton, one in Franklin, one in Juniata, and one in Mifflin.



This additional infrastructure will expand high-speed broadband access to 7,500+ homes and businesses in Bedford, Franklin, Fulton, Huntingdon, Mifflin, Perry, and Juniata counties - adding to the nearly 1,000 Pennsylvania residents already served by Upward Broadband.

“Access to high-speed internet is critical to so much that we do in our daily lives,” stated Tim Beiler, the co-owner of Upward Broadband. “This substantial grant provides a tremendous opportunity to reach many people that desperately need access to this critical tool. We are grateful for this opportunity to serve the residents in this area.”

The awarding of this grant was made possible thanks to great partnerships with the county commissioners in Fulton, Huntingdon, and Bedford counties, as well as Alleghenies Broadband, Inc. and Crowsnest Broadband, which will receive funds with Bedford County to expand coverage there.

“We are grateful for the tremendous partnerships that we’ve established with these key players,” said Mr. Beiler. “Our team looks forward to continue working together to bring this expansion to life as quickly as possible.”

For up-to-date information on this expansion, visit www.upwardbroadband.com or Upward Broadband’s Facebook page (<https://www.facebook.com/UpwardBroadband>).

About Upward Broadband - Upward Broadband is a local, family-owned fixed wireless internet provider distributing fast, reliable internet to the underserved areas of Chester, Franklin, Fulton, Huntingdon, Mifflin, and Lancaster County, PA. We started to give our hometown a choice—a choice for *Internet Without The Hassle*. Check out www.UpwardBroadband.com for more information on our coverage areas and packages.

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