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CONNECTING FAMILIES. BUSINESSES, AND COMMUNITIES TO HIGH-SPEED INTERNET

Governor Whitmer believes every family and business in Michigan deserves access to a reliable, affordable high-speed internet connection that meets their needs. High-speed internet expands economic opportunity for families, enhances educational experiences for students, and allows for remote access to key health care services.

Increasing high-speed internet for homes and businesses

- Set a [state goal](#) to provide 100% access to high-speed internet and 95% adoption by households during the next five years.
- [Created the Michigan High-Speed Internet Office](#) and the [Connecting Michigan Task Force](#) to coordinate the state's high-speed internet work and align the work with economic development opportunities.
- Since taking office, connected over 23,000 homes, businesses, and unserved locations to meet the state goal to provide 100% access to high-speed internet and 95% adoption during the next five years in advance of over \$1.5 billion through the Broadband Equity, Access, and Deployment Program that will connect over 200,000 Michiganders.
- [Announced](#) a \$203 million investment to connect over 70,000 unserved homes, businesses, and locations to high-speed internet through the Realizing Opportunity with Broadband Infrastructure Networks grant program.
- Mapped [high-speed internet access in all 83 counties](#).
- Won [\\$6.3 million grant](#) from the National Telecommunications and Information Administration to expand high-speed internet and pursue digital equity.
- Announced [\\$61 million in grants](#) to build 525 miles of high-speed internet.

Coordinating state government action on high-speed internet

- Named a [Chief Connectivity Officer](#) to lead the state's broadband efforts and leverage funding from the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL).
- Launched the [MI Connected Future](#) tour to highlight regional efforts on expanding high-speed internet.
- Signed the [Broadband Expansion Act of Michigan](#), codifying the Connecting Michigan Communities Grant Program, a grant program to fill internet access gaps in underserved communities.