

**PROPOSAL:**  
**To Paulding County Commissioners for**  
**Fiber-to-the-Home (FTTH) Network Construction and Operation**  
**In Paulding Township**

**Contact information:**  
**Paulding County Commissioners**  
**115 North Williams Street #B-1**  
**Paulding, Ohio 45879**

### **1.1 Network Background**

The Paulding County Commissioners and the Paulding Township Trustees. Paulding Township is located in Paulding County Ohio are requesting proposals from Vendors to build, manage and operate a Fiber to The Home (FTTH) Network that will provide gigabit Internet access service (1000Mbps) as well as cable TV service to businesses, homes, and community institutions within the Service Area. Paulding County Commissioners and the Paulding Township Trustees will provide support by assisting with and streamlining right-of-way and easement access.

The Vendor will bear all the costs for the Network, including but not limited to design, engineering, construction, equipment, and insurance for the Network, up to the end user drop point or network interface device. In addition, the Vendor will bear all the operating and maintenance costs of the Network.

### **1.2 Nature of Entities**

This proposal is issued to the Paulding County Commissioners and the Paulding Township Trustees. Paulding Township is located in Paulding County Ohio.

### **1.3 Overview**

This proposal is for the deployment and operation by Vendor of a high-speed fiber network for the citizens and businesses in the Service Area. The objectives are to establish a Network that:

1. is able to offer retail broadband connection of 1 Gbps and at least 700Mbps throughput download speed over each connection provided to a premises;
2. is able to support high quality data and video (cable TV) services;
3. uses fiber-to-the-premises network architecture;
4. covers 100 percent of homes and small businesses in the Service Area;
5. is rolled out and made operational progressively, on a demand driven basis, over 2 years from the date of execution of a contract between Paulding County Commissioners and Vendor;

### **1.4 Rights of Way**

Paulding County Commissioners and the Paulding Township Trustees will allow Vendor to have access to necessary rights-of-way on property owned or controlled by Paulding Township and Paulding County and property on which Paulding Township and Paulding County have an easement. Paulding Township and Paulding County will also cooperate with Vendor in efforts to allow Vendor to gain access to rights-of-way owned or controlled by third parties within the Service Area.

### **1.5 Relationship between Vendor and Paulding County and Paulding Township**

Vendor will be an independent contractor that provides all design, construction, and operation services for the Network. Paulding County and Paulding Township will not have any ownership stake in the FTTH facilities nor the entity that owns and operates the Network.

## 2. Services Sought

### 2.1 Description of Proposed Services

Vendor will design, build, install, own, operate and manage a complete high-speed communications Network within the Service Area. The system shall be Fiber-to-the-Home Active E or GPON technologies and allow users access to and from the Internet and access to other services as required.

### 2.2 Service Area

See attached build map

## 3. Administrative Issues

### 3.1 Cost

Project Proposal	16.6 Miles
Project Homes Passed	229
Build Estimate	\$
Paulding County Contribution	\$ 206,569.08
Total Project Estimated Vendor Contribution	\$

American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 and 2022 funds are requested for this project from Paulding Township in the amount of \$103,284.54 and Paulding County in the amount of \$103,284.54 for a total contribution of \$206,569.08.

### 3.1 Proposal Expiration

Proposal is valid until June 30, 2022

### 3.4 Use of Subcontractors

Vendor may use subcontractors to fulfill any obligations in connection with the project. Use of subcontractors shall be subject to all applicable state and federal laws. Vendor shall remain liable for fulfilling all its obligations on the project, and for any claims or damages arising from the subcontractor's work.

### 3.4 Signatures

**Vendor**  
**Date:**  
**Signature:**  
**Name:**  
**Title:**

**Paulding County Commissioners**  
**Date:**  
**Signature:**  
**Name:** Roy Klopfenstein  
**Date:**  
**Signature:**  
**Name:** Mark Holtsberry  
**Date:**  
**Signature:**  
**Name:** Mike Weible

# Paulding Township

Phase 1 - Blue

Phase 2 - Orange

Phase 3 - Green

16.6 Miles

Total 229 Premises

