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What is Google Fiber?

Google Fiber (GFiber) is an Alphabet company that brings fast, reliable, fairly priced internet to homes and businesses across the United States.



We believe in going beyond.

Going beyond Expectations

Our mission is to deliver fast, reliable, fairly-priced and open internet service – using the best technologies, methods and people to accomplish that.

Going beyond the Basics

Internet truly matters to people, and their experiences with internet truly matters to us. So we set the bar high for every aspect along the way - customer service, pricing, transparency, reliability, speed and innovation at every turn.

Going Above and Beyond

There's always room to make things even better. So we're expanding the places we deliver internet, investing in new technology and always looking for ways to do things better that make a difference for our customers, for our teams and in our communities.

You can find us here.



Google Fiber

Atlanta, GA Greater Austin, TX Charlotte, NC Huntsville, AL Kansas City, KS/MO Lakewood, CO Nashville, TN Orange County, CA Great Phoenix, AZ Provo, UT Salt Lake Valley, UT San Antonio, TX The Triangle, NC West Des Moines, IA Westminster, CO

Webpass

Chicago, IL Denver, CO Miami, FL Oakland, CA San Diego, CA San Francisco, CA Seattle, WA

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Signed West Lake Hills ROW

On March 8th 2023, Mayor Linda Anthony signed a Non-Exclusive Public ROW License Agreement with Google Fiber with unanimous City Council approval.

Filling in 78746

We're looking to fill in areas in and around West Lake Hills as part of this expansion build. This primarily includes areas of unincorporated Travis County.

Lack of competition

There are areas that have only 1 internet provider, leaving residents without choice.



What we offer.

Residential



Wi-Fi 6 mesh network included

5 Gig \$125/mo • Up to 5 gig download and uploads Wi-Fi 6 mesh network included

Commercial



2 Gig \$250/mo • Downloads of up to 2 gigs/uploads

- up to 1 gig WiFi 6 router mesh Wi-Fi extenders
- 99.9% Service Level Guarantee²

All of our plans include:

- Mesh Wi-Fi network capability
- No data caps or annual contracts
- Free Professional Installation/No installation fees
- 24/7 customer support

¹99.99% reliable connection based on 2021 and 2022 average annual uptime reliability excluding commercial power outages and planned maintenance ²Terms and exclusions apply. See Service Level Agreement for details.

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Recognized as an industry leader.



Customer Satisfaction

Reader's Choice Award; **Favorite ISP**



Customer Service

#1 ISP in the American **Consumer Satisfaction Index**





Speed Fastest internet provider in the country





But don't take our word for it.

"I have loved having you guys for the last couple of months, I can't find anyone else who can deliver this speed and consistency."

Denz. MO

"Hey @googlefiber, you're the greatest ISP I've ever had."

Pilioka, KC

"Thanks @googlefiber that's the best customer service l've ever had. Fixing a problem that wasn't your fault hours after I call. Love this service."

Michael J., NC

Supported locally by a team of industry experts.

Proven +30M feet of fiber built and maintained in Texas Senior Leadership has over 45 years of combined Competent industry expertise Operating in over 10 municipalities including Austin, Trusted San Antonio, Round Rock, Travis County, etc Entire team is based in the greater Central Texas **Devoted** region. Living, working and contributing to the communities we serve





Rollingwood, TX - Google Fiber Journey



ROW License / Deployment Method

Align on ROW license terms and deployment methods

Close coordination with the city starts HERE!



Design / Permit / Network Construction

Coordination with city/county Fiber Design Permitting **Community Communication** Fiber Network Construction Multi-dwelling Construction Restoration **Targeting primarily underground** construction for Rollingwood



Customer Fulfillment

Sales Service Drop (private property) In-Home Installation



Know what's **below**. **Call** before you dig.

Network Maintenance, **Repair, Relocations**

Proactive Maintenance Reactive Maintenance / Repair Utility, Infrastructure Project Coordination Relocation **Proactive relocations to avoid** future infrastructure conflicts

and CONTINUES!



Our process is different.

Design

Goal: Build the widest possible footprint to serve the greatest number of customers.

Communicate Construction

Goal: Ensure that the community is familiar with the deployment and knows how to contact us.

Goal: Utilize a proven toolkit that maximizes speed, minimizes disruption and is restored properly.

Impact: Deployment along a significant portion of ROW.

Impact: No surprises and any issues are resolved quickly.

Impact: Reduced impact to ROW and roads, while increasing safety, lowering risk exposure and community disruption.



How we design/build our networks.

Equipment Shelter

- Serves 40-60k Homes
- Placed on Leased or purchased land

HUT Location

Backbone Routes

- Connects shelters
- Lease fiber where possible

Backbone Routes

Trunk Routes

- Shallow trenching
- Horizontal **Directional Drill**
- Aerial

Distribution Routes Shallow trenching Horizontal **Directional Drill** Aerial





Trunk Routes





Distribution Routes

Shallow Trench Method - General Approach

Description: Shallow trenching is an outside plant (OSP) underground fiber plant construction methodology that consists of placing cables or duct directly into a narrow and shallow trench in either hardscape (e.g., in the asphalt roadway) or softscape.

Deployment "Toolkit" Variables: While we consider many variables in each application of our Shallow Trench deployments, the most important considerations are **Alignment** and **Cover**.



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Deployment Principles Lifetime Survivability Constructability Repairability

Benefits of shallow trenching

Reduced impact to ROW and roads

- Elimination of bore pits and reduced open excavation
- Smaller roadway intrusion for potholing
- Faster restorations in ROW and roadways .
- Decreased footprint in yards and softscape

Avoids existing facilities (reduced utility strikes)

- Reduced depth virtually eliminates utility strikes •
- Repair of any damaged utilities less impactful due to shallow nature •

Increased safety and reduced risk exposure

- Reduced crew size in work zones •
- Reduced duration in worksite

Reduced community disruption

- Faster speed through neighborhoods
- Minimal traffic impacts





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Shallow trench method - Sealant & waterproofing

When we apply sealant:

- To ensure Lifetime & Survivability Principles, we waterproof trenches when:
 - The trench has created a **new joint** in the roadway (e.g. offset from curb-line)
 - Needed to prevent water penetration and potential formation of potholes
- Restoration approach is a large cost driver for Shallow Trenching

What we do: Two elements determine if / what we do:

- 1. Location:
 - If in an asphalt/asphalt running line **must be sealed & waterproof**
 - If at existing joint between curb/gutter & roadway, sealing is optional
- 2. Trench Width:
 - Width ≤ 1.5" treated like a "crack" with an overband of crack sealant material
 - Meets ASTM D6690 Type II for 50% extension
 - Width > 1.5" treated like a small trench with a "full course sealant" application of a mastic of epoxy material





Shallow trench method - Backfill

Backfill Philosophy:

- We want to mimic the material characteristics of adjacent elements as much as possible; discontinuity in material properties causes the stiffer element to fail;
- Low Strength Flow Fill: 350-1000 PSI
 - Higher PSI then typical city-spec for Flow Fill; normally designed for large utility trenches
 - Harder to set-up in narrow trench; heat loss to surface area is much higher than typical
- High Strength Flow Fill: 1000-3000 PSI
 - Mimic typical curb/gutter concrete mix strength

What we do:

- Determined by the strongest adjacent element
- Curb/Gutter Adjacent:
 - Use of High Strength Flow Fill to mimic the curb/gutter;
 - Acts as an extension to the curb/gutter
- Asphalt-Only Running Line
 - Use of Low Strength Flow Fill to match average asphalt strength (varies with temperature).





FAQ

Frequently Asked Questions:

- Q: What is the cost to the city?
 - There is no cost to the city. Each city has their internal process to support permitting and inspection; that might have additional costs associated with a fiber deployment.
- Q: How do you solve for infrastructure project conflicts (i.e. wet utility work, road and sidewalk work)?
 - In the engineering phase we work with the city to understand the planned projects, design the network to minimize conflict and then have a full team dedicated to 0 relocation work for any future work unforeseen during the initial construction phase.
- Q: Who pays to relocate your fiber?
 - GFiber pays for any for city related relocation projects (e.g. capital improvements, road, sidewalk, wet utilities)
- Q: How do you notify the public?
 - We work with the city to find the right communication strategy. This often includes, at minimum, signage, door hangers, an 800 number for residents to call with questions.
- Q: Does the agreement give open access to the ROW to GFiber?
 - No, we design and submit detailed permit drawings for review and approval before any construction commences.
- Q: What about the impact to the roadway, curbs, sidewalks etc?
 - We have worked to develop our deployment methods and material to minimize impact to the roadway. However, our license agreement includes a commitment to restore any damage that may have resulted from our deployment.
- Q: How is the city compensated for the access to the ROW?
 - Terms are outlined in the ROW license agreement and include a fee as a percentage of customer revenue.
- Q: What deployment method will be used?
 - We use a toolkit of construction methods that are designed to maximize the number of homes/businesses that we can reach and serve. The construction tool kit is comprehensive and includes shallow trenching, softscape, horizontal directional drilling and aerial.
- Q: How long will this project take?
 - There are a number of different factors that can influence the pace. Historically, we have constructed between 10k and 40k households per year.
- Q: What about landscaping, irrigation lines?
 - We are committed and bound by the license agreement to restore and repair anything impacted during construction. Fortunately, our deployment toolkit is generally less intrusive than typical construction methods.
- Q: What is the long term impact to our roadway, curbs and sidewalks?
 - We have worked hard over the last 10+ years to find the right formula that allows us to deploy the network quickly, cost effectively and with minimal short term and long 0 term impact to the community infrastructure.
- Q: Do you have contacts in other cities that we can talk to in order to hear how your deployment has gone in their city?
 - Yes, we can provide some references in existing markets. 0

Thank you.



