

Kentuckywired

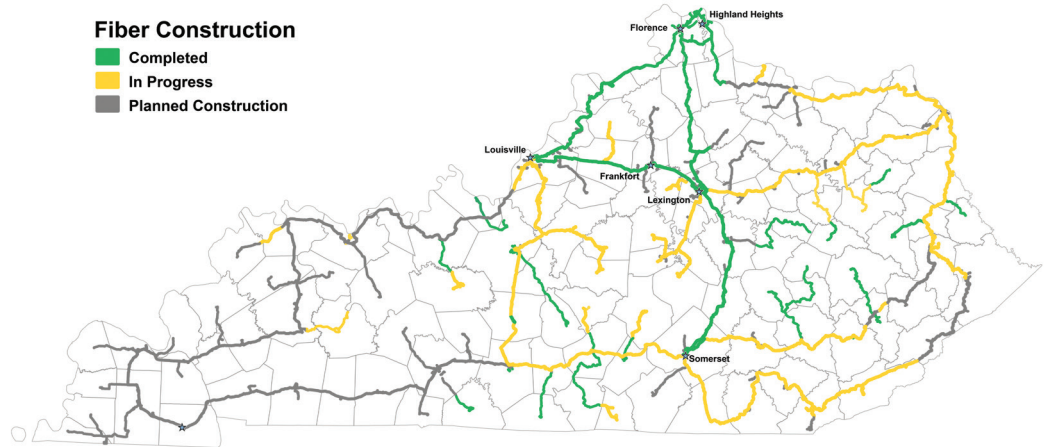
KentuckyWired is a statewide fiber optic cable network that will bring **HIGH SPEED BROADBAND ACCESS TO EVERY KENTUCKY COUNTY.**



According to *U.S. News and World Report*, Kentucky ranked 48th in the nation for access to broadband in 2017. When the KentuckyWired project is completed, the Commonwealth will be the **FIRST STATE IN THE NATION** to build an open-access statewide fiber optic cable network.

Fiber Construction

- Completed
- In Progress
- Planned Construction



The completed portion of the network, known as

RING 1A, INCLUDES LOUISVILLE, LEXINGTON AND CINCINNATI/NORTHERN KENTUCKY.

Additionally, a key backbone segment from Lexington to Somerset has also been completed, allowing for expansion of the network into **EASTERN KENTUCKY** as the project moves into the next phase.

Internet connectivity is a part of nearly every facet of modern day life.

Fast, reliable broadband access will transform our economy, and could generate as much as

\$32 BILLION IN ANNUAL ECONOMIC VALUE.



• **JOB CREATION**



• **BUSINESS INVESTMENT**



• **AGRICULTURE**



• **HEALTHCARE**



• **EDUCATION**



• **PUBLIC SERVICES**

A study by the International Workplace Group reveals that **70%** of people globally **WORK REMOTELY** at least once a week.

Now is the time to begin planning for KentuckyWired in your community.

PLEASE CONTACT THE KENTUCKY COMMUNICATIONS NETWORK AUTHORITY (KCNA) AT 502-782-9549 OR EMAIL KENTUCKYWIRE@KY.GOV.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

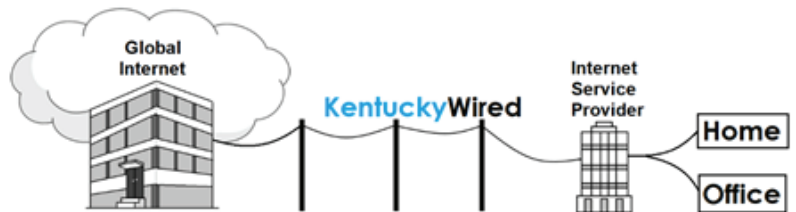
WHAT IS KENTUCKYWIRED? KentuckyWired is a middle mile fiber optic network that will bring high speed broadband access to **EVERY COUNTY IN KENTUCKY**. The network will enable private internet companies to provide reliable, fast internet throughout the state. Once complete, the network will enhance education, healthcare, and public safety and will bring an economic boost to the Commonwealth.



WHAT IS BROADBAND? Broadband simply means fast internet. The Federal Communications Commission (FCC) currently defines it as 25 megabits download ability and 3 megabits upload ability.

WHAT IS A “MIDDLE MILE?”

A middle mile carries data from the internet service provider to the global internet. KentuckyWired is a middle mile network.



WILL KENTUCKYWIRED IMPROVE INTERNET SPEED?

KentuckyWired's broadband network will deliver an average of **10-20 TIMES THE SPEED** of regular internet. The individual speed in each county will depend on your internet service provider (ISP).

WHEN WILL KENTUCKYWIRED BE COMPLETE?

The network is scheduled to be completed by October 2020.

IS KENTUCKYWIRED COMING DIRECTLY TO MY HOME?

Think of KentuckyWired as a major highway with “exit ramps” into your county. It is up to private internet companies to connect to the exit ramps and provide internet to individual homes and offices.

HOW DO I CONNECT TO KENTUCKYWIRED?

Contact the Kentucky Communications Network Authority (KCNA) at 502-782-9549 or email kentuckywired@ky.gov.