



Southpark Telephone will Submit the Broadband Grant! See Below Letter from David Shipley of South Park Telephone

We are finalizing the number of commitments, however, based on the previous total of 267 commitments, SPT will proceed with the Grant application for the January 15, 2021 cycle, **please encourage residents to keep submitting the commitments.**

May I ask that you communicate the following to residents of the project area, more so those who have made a financial commitment to support the project.

Speed Tests: South Park Telephone (SPT) is in the process of gathering information for the grant application and would like to include as much data as possible to substantiate a grant award for the project. May I request that the residents of the project area conduct a speed test from their residence/business and document the results on the attached. I have included the speed test website within the attached, it's important that testing is conducted using www.speedtest.net for consistency in results. **Please encourage all project area residents to participate in the exercise so we may present a good sample in the application.**

Please submit the test results directly to me @ dshipley@usch.com no later Than Thursday 12/31/2020, I will compile the data and include with the grant application. Please contact me with any questions and thank you for the support.

Please refer to the following steps to conduct the speed test.

1. Access www.speedtest.net
2. Click on the Go Button
3. The test will begin and perform a download and upload speed test (Approx. 1 minute testing period) and will display the results relevant to your internet connection.
4. Document test results in the attached Excel spreadsheet and submit to David Shipley at dshipley@usch.com

[Click here for Speed Test Excel Spreadsheet](#)

Letter of Support: A section of the grant application asks for *Letters of Support* relevant to the project, this is a critical piece of the application, thus please encourage all project area residents to participate in the exercise, more so the members that have submitted a commitment form. Please address all letters to the following and submit (PDF format) directly to me at dshipley@usch.com by Thursday 12/31/2020 so I may include with the Grant Application.

(Refer to this [page](#) on our website for tips on how to write a Letter of Support.)

Mr. Brian Martin
Broadband Deployment Director
Colorado Broadband Deployment Board
1560 Broadway, Suite 1550
Denver, CO 80202

Please contact me with any questions

Thank you,

David Shipley
719.837.6400

Commitment Information

What is a commitment?

A commitment means you pay \$200 and agree to sign up for high-speed internet fiber from South Park Telephone if we are awarded the grant. **The \$200 is fully refundable if are not awarded the grant.**

**This means it will only cost \$200 to bring fiber to your home from the main route!
This is an incredible bargain.**

Don't Wait - Sign up Now!

Residents who have already paid a commitment fee of \$250 or \$500 will receive a refund of the amount exceeding \$200. Refund checks will be mailed to the address listed on your Commitment Form. *(Note: If you have a mailing address different from the address you indicated on the Commitment Form, please let SPT know at 719-837-6400)*

The online Commitment Form can be found at this [link](#) and the **Pricing Sheet** can be found at this [link](#).

THANK YOU to everyone who has committed so far! We appreciate your interest and support of the project. Keep the commitments coming! Every commitment will help our grant application.

As always, contact me if you have questions.

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Our website is 285broadband.com,