



PRESS RELEASE

Comcast Begins Construction to Connect 1,600 Homes and Businesses in Medical Lake to Reliable, High-Speed Internet

MEDICAL LAKE, WA – October 17, 2024 – In partnership with the City of Medical Lake, Comcast will begin construction in the public rights of way to expand the availability of reliable, high-speed, symmetrical Internet in the City of Medical Lake, enhancing digital infrastructure, promoting economic growth, and positioning residents and local businesses for success in an increasingly digital world. Comcast will construct the infrastructure to connect 1,600 Medical Lake homes and businesses to this fiber network, which brings Internet, mobile, entertainment, and security services from Xfinity and Comcast Business services to residents businesses for the first time.

"I am thrilled that Comcast is bringing high-speed Internet to our community. This development is a game-changer for our residents and businesses, opening doors to new opportunities and ensuring that everyone can stay connected in today's digital age. High-speed Internet is not just a convenience; it's a crucial tool for education, economic growth, and enhancing the quality of life in Medical Lake," said Terri Cooper, Mayor of Medical Lake.

Residents can visit Xfinity.com/mytown and enter their addresses for additional details on construction timing and upcoming service availability. The project is expected to be completed in 2025. Comcast's most recent expansion to Medical Lake is part of the company's latest investment in Spokane County, which also includes expansions to Chattaroy and Four Lakes.

"Access to technology is a powerful driver of economic growth and innovation, and we look forward to connecting Medical Lake residents to all the opportunities broadband offers. We are expanding our network over 25 miles to connect homes and businesses to reliable and fast broadband service," said Roy Novosel, vice president of engineering, Comcast Pacific Northwest Region.

Residents can expect to see construction in Medical Lake going north to south between Beverly Avenue and Tule Pond and east to west from South Brayton Road to Medical Lake. Signs will be posted indicating work areas. Temporary road closures or detours may be required, and parking may be restricted in construction zones. Access to properties will be maintained as much as possible during construction. Residents will be notified by the construction contractor, <u>MasTec</u>, at least 10 days in advance of any temporary restrictions or road closures.

A Network You Can Trust to be Reliable, Fast and Secure

Comcast's state-of-the-art network is built to enable residents and businesses to thrive in today's constantly connected world. Medical Lake joins the more than 63 million homes and businesses across the country to have access to a network that is trusted by essential community organizations like hospitals, schools, transportation systems and first responders, and federal agencies like the Department of Defense and FEMA. It delivers multi-gigabit Internet speeds, 99.9 percent reliability and security built in from the ground up to keep customers safe from cyber threats.

Introducing Xfinity for Consumers

Comcast's residential services are marketed under the Xfinity and NOW brands, and consumers in Medical Lake will be able to/can take advantage of Xfinity's and NOW's full suite of products, including Internet, video, mobile, voice and

<u>home security</u>. With multi-gigabit Internet speeds, powerful WiFi that reaches every corner of the home, and super-responsive connections with low lag available with its plan, customers have a great experience using their connected devices to stream their favorite sports and entertainment content, video chat with coworkers and friends, learn from home or simply surf the web.

Comcast Business to Power Medical Lake's Workforce

For local businesses, Comcast Business offers a suite of connectivity, communications, networking, cybersecurity, wireless, and managed solutions to help organizations of all sizes achieve their business goals. Industry analysts and associations have consistently recognized Comcast Business as a leader and innovator in flexible, scalable options as well as one of the fastest-growing providers of Ethernet services.

What it means for the Medical Lake Community

Comcast's commitment to communities goes beyond building the network and aims to increase economic mobility for the local community and its residents. That's why Comcast created <u>Internet Essentials</u>, a broadband adoption program that offers eligible households low-cost, high-speed Internet and affordable computers. Additionally, over the past three years, Comcast has invested more than \$130 million in cash and in-kind donations into California nonprofits focused on helping people build digital skills, expanding WiFi-connected <u>Lift Zones</u> and funding connectivity and Internet adoption programs.

About Medical Lake

The city of Medical Lake is a vibrant resort community of 4,950 residents located 13 miles west of Spokane. Medical Lake is a serene 26 acre lake and lies in the heart of downtown with West Medical Lake and Silver Lake to the West and East ends of town. Each lake attracts a unique outdoor enthusiast. The City of Medical Lake, the hidden gem of Spokane County, offers lakes, trails and outdoor recreation along with seasonal festivals attracting visitors to experience the fun and nostalgia found only at the lake.

Incorporated in 1890, Medical Lake has a strong native heritage tied to the "healing waters of Medical Lake". Once the premier resort town of the region, thousands came from Spokane each day during summer months transported by electric trolley to stay in hotels and swim in the lake. Medical Lake was known for its healing properties, granite quarries and brick factories used in building most of downtown Spokane. Many of Spokane's historic downtown buildings still stand on Medical Lake granite foundations.

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