Event Recap
Connecting our Community Rural Broadband Event with Jefferson County
Madison, IN
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EVENT SUMMARY

On Tuesday, May 23rd, Charter Communications (Spectrum) was proud to announce a significant investment in Jefferson County, expanding rural broadband access and providing advanced Spectrum services to residents and business customers across the county. To highlight a milestone of the project, Charter's Indiana Government Affairs team hosted an event in partnership with Jefferson County at Fairfield INN & Suites by Marriot Madison, Historic Eagle Cotton Mill, located at 108 St., Michaels Avenue, Madison, IN 47250.

At the event, we were joined by State *Representative Randy Frye, Jefferson County Commissioner Dave Bramer, Jefferson County Commissioner Robert Little and City of Madison Mayor Bob Courtney* each shared thoughts on the impact of expansion in the area and efforts underway at the various levels of government to assist with broadband expansion and adoption. *Earnie Holtrey, Indiana State Broadband Director* was in attendance as well, to talk about funding sources and collaboration with providers. Charter's Government Affairs leaders, in partnership with Field Operations, discussed the company's ongoing commitment to expand rural broadband access and informed area stakeholders and elected officials about serviceability and service offerings. Additionally, we held a robust panel discussion featuring key area stakeholders sharing perspectives on how to help connect Indianans with much needed high-speed connections to power work, play and home life-balance.

At the conclusion of the program, Charter announced a charitable donation to Jefferson County United way in the amount of $1,500 to further digital education engagement in the county and invited attendees to take part in a Fiber Splicing demonstration with Field Operations.

VIP Attendees
- Amanda Lowery, U.S. Representative Erin Houchin's Office
- Earnie Holtrey, Indiana State Broadband Director
- Commissioner Robert Little, Jefferson County
- Commissioner Dave Bramer, Jefferson County
- Mayor Bob Courtney, City of Madison
- Reneisha Rudder, SIRPC Economic Resiliency Coordinator/Digital Inclusion
- Erica Cline, Jefferson County Commissioners' Office
- Shelia Coffin, Executive Director, Jefferson County United Way
- Judi Terpening, Executive Director, Jefferson County Public Library

Media Coverage (Links): Madison Courier

Event Photos: Click here to view all pictures from the event.

Social Media:

Pictured Above: Panelists discuss broadband advances across Jefferson County and Indiana.

Pictured above: *State Representative Randy Frye* speaks to attendees about the importance of collaboration to expand service into rural communities.

Pictured above: *Commissioner Dave Bramer* and *Commissioner Bob Little* talk about their role working on expansion efforts in the county.

Pictured above (L-R): *State Representative Randy Frye*; *Dwayne May*, Jefferson County Council; *Erica Cline*, Jefferson County Commissioner's Office; *LeeAnn Herrera*, Director, Government Affairs, Charter; *Elizabeth James*, Manager, Government Affairs Charter; *Commissioner Dave Bramer*; *City of Madison Mayor Bob Courtney* and *Commissioner Robert Little.*

Pictured above: *Reneisha Rudder,* SIRPC, Economic Resiliency Coordinator/Digital Inclusion Fellow learns about fiber splicing during the demonstrations with Charter's Fiber Technicians.

Pictured above: Indiana Fiber Splicing Demonstration Unit.

Pictured above: City of Madison Mayor Bob Courtney joins our Fiber Splicing experts for a demonstration.