

2021 - Chamber Broadband Expansion Statement

The mission of the Greater Lehigh Valley Chamber of Commerce is to improve the economy and quality of life in the Lehigh Valley and beyond. To achieve this, we firmly believe high-speed internet access is a necessary tool for strengthening the economy. Attaining access should be equally affordable and available to everyone. Advancements in technology, such as 5G, should be an integral part of expanding high-speed internet access. We support utilizing models similar in operation to the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission's regulation of electricity and other public utilities. We support innovative public-private partnerships between state and local governments and private enterprise to invest in and improve infrastructure for broadband access. Technology has changed our lives for the better and has made it easier to learn, work, and access healthcare. The Greater Lehigh Valley Chamber of Commerce believes our economic future depends on investing in high-speed internet throughout the United States to assure that businesses in the Lehigh Valley will be able to compete equally in the global market.

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