



# Connecting to Greater Possibility



# Investing in Our Network

#### Investments = Connections

In California, we invested **nearly \$8.6 billion** in our wireless and wireline network infrastructure from 2020-2022 to connect more people to greater possibilities.

Cities and communities throughout California are seeing the impacts of this investment and the latest technologies like fiber, including in our rural and urban communities across the State. We know how important it is for our customers to say connected through life's defining moments, whether you're celebrating, learning or working, creating or sharing. That's why we're focused on boosting network reliability and capacity as we expand our network. We're working to help residents get the best possible AT&T experience wherever they live, work and play.

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# Broadband Access and Affordability

## **Connecting to Greater Possibility**

We believe every American should be connected to the internet and we're working with governments and non-profit organizations to make it happen. We're on track to deliver on our **\$2B commitment** between 2021-2023 to help bridge the digital divide and tackle barriers to broadband **access**, **adoption** and **affordability**.

We're <u>collaborating</u> with <u>community groups</u> throughout California to promote the Affordable Connectivity Program (ACP) as part of #GetConnectedCA.

Across California, we're focused on our goal of providing 1 million people in need with digital resources, including our \$10M commitment that will help close the gap by providing students and families with computers.

Already this year, we've distributed **more than 1,200** free laptops to students and families through our collaboration with community-based organizations throughout the state, including **Mission Bit, BAYCAT and 826 Valencia, The Village Project, Community Coalition of South Los Angeles, Concerned Black Men of Los Angeles and <b>The RightWay Foundation**, with more device distributions planned for Back-to-School. Many thanks to the AT&T California employees who volunteered to distribute the free laptops to students and families in need.





We've donated \$30,000 to **Dev/Mission** in San Francisco for digital literacy workshops, to address the digital divide. Among others, their Community Tech Associates will teach the curriculum to students and families in public housing communities.





AT&T is committed to advancing digital equity across the state and will continue to invest in community programs and services that expand broadband access.

#### Read and watch more:

-Connecting Communities: AT&T Laptop Distribution in LA Shows What It Means to Connect to Possibilities and Opportunities - AT&T Connects (attconnects.com)
-Connecting California Tribal Communities to the Digital World - AT&T Connects (attconnects.com)

#### **Power of Connection**

AT&T is committed to keeping our California customers, first responders and communities connected – both through investing in our modern, high-speed broadband networks and in working with state and local governments to efficiently build out broadband networks to help bridge the digital divide.

As California continues to be the global leader in technological innovation and technology, the need for connectivity has never been more in demand or more critical to our day-to-day lives. By continuing to invest in our network, we are helping Californians have access to the reliable, highly secure, high-speed broadband they need.

We're focused on the need to invest in broadband, consumer choice, creating a sustainable network, connectivity and mental health, network resiliency and reliability and broadband's impact on specific communities including rural, seniors, public safety, tribal, people with disabilities and students.

#### Read more:

- -The Power of Connection: Turning Retired Americans into Rewired Americans AT&T Connects (attconnects.com)
- -The Power of Connection: Helping Save Lives with Smartphones AT&T Connects (attconnects.com)
- -The Power of Connection: Fostering Mental Health and Wellness AT&T Connects (attconnects.com)
- -The Power of Connection: New Technologies Help Small Businesses Thrive AT&T Connects (attconnects.com)



# Public Safety

## **Keeping California's First Responders Connected**



With hundreds of miles of ocean-front beaches and rolling mountain ranges, San Luis Obispo County's diverse geography has long provided unique challenges for first responders. Network solutions need to cover the mountains to the East while still providing a good signal to the bustling towns, busy coastlines and remote rural areas.

And with an active tourist industry, the network also needs to handle seasonal spikes.

San Luis Obispo County Sheriff's Office knew they needed <u>FirstNet</u>®, Built with AT&T, the only network built with and for America's first responders and the extended public safety community, to equip their officers and public safety personnel with new capabilities and reliable access to critical information while in the field. Learn more <u>here</u>.

With <u>FirstNet</u>, we're helping connect first responders in **more than 475 communities** across the state.

FirstNet includes unique benefits for first responders like *always-on* priority and preemption, high-quality Band 14 spectrum and a <u>one-of-a-kind 5G experience</u> to keep public safety mission ready.

We've rolled out Band 14 on **more than 5,700 sites** across California to provide public safety with truly dedicated coverage and capacity when they need it. Areas currently benefiting from Band 14 include Imperial, Mendocino, El Dorado, Tehama, Mono and Madera Counties.

### Happy Birthday, FirstNet!

In only 6 years since AT&T and the First Responder Network Authority (FirstNet Authority) partnered to deliver America's public safety network, more agencies – think fire, law enforcement and EMS – trust FirstNet, Built with AT&T to reliably communicate than any other network. But don't take our word for it. In short, public safety demanded their own network and it's delivering.

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# Community Impact

## Turning up the love during Pride month and beyond







Our AT&T employees are championing a culture of inclusivity. Through our workforce diversity, allyship, and service in local communities, we are driving positive change. And it's through these meaningful engagements that we're connecting the LGBTQ+ community to greater possibility.

LGBTQ+ communities across the country benefit from the volunteerism of members of our employee group LEAGUE at AT&T, the impact of our CSR efforts, and our work to bridge the digital divide. As a company, we've also renewed our support for <a href="https://example.com/The Trevor Project">The Trevor Project</a>, the leading national organization providing crisis intervention and suicide prevention services to LGBTQ+ youth.

During Pride month and beyond, AT&T's <u>Turn Up the Love</u> campaign harnesses the power of music and art to inspire love and acceptance. The <u>tour stopped in San Francisco</u> for a free concert at our AT&T store.

Continuing our commitment to cultivating an inclusive culture through belonging and respect, we also supported <a href="PRC Pride Brunch">PRC Pride Brunch</a>, honoring the SF Pride Parade Grand Marshalls and the <a href="Alice B.">Alice B.</a>
<a href="Toklas Dem Club Pride Breakfast">Toklas Dem Club Pride Breakfast</a>, as they continue to advocate for human rights, social and economic justice and equality for all.

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