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**Madison County Board of Supervisors Seeks Public Input on Plans to Expand High-Speed Internet Access Throughout Madison County**

The Madison County Board of Supervisors is asking for input from Madison County’s residents to help identify areas with low or no access to high-speed internet. Residents interested in providing input can visit [research.net/r/MadisonBroadband](https://research.net/r/MadisonBroadband) to complete a brief survey, or visit our Facebook page, Madison County MS Government. Those without internet access can participate by visiting the Madison County Offices at 125 West North Street in Canton, to take the survey in person. The survey is open to the public through July 31, 2024.

Phase Two of the Madison County Broadband Initiative identified the need to provide Fiber to the Home (FTTH) broadband service to the northwest area of the county. Once the unserved and underserved locations are identified, the Board will develop a plan to provide equitable access to high-speed internet access in this area of the county.

Supervisor Karl M. Banks stated, “Many residents need not only internet connectivity, but also access to high-speed internet. Lack of infrastructure, devices, digital skills, and affordability issues make accessing online resources difficult for some residents. This is a comprehensive project that will have a positive impact. A special thank you to my colleagues on the Board for their assistance in helping make this possible.”

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*Areas in green on the map represent Phase Two areas of the Broadband Initiative.*

### About the Madison County Broadband Initiative

As part of the Madison County Broadband Initiative, the Board approved funding to bring high-speed internet to homes and businesses in the rural areas of Madison County. Phase One focused on the northeast portion of the county. Madison County received funding for Phase One through the Broadband Expansion and Accessibility of Mississippi (BEAM) office and additional funding sources which will provide broadband service to approximately 4,000 businesses and residences.

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